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EDITH MOLLER FREED

London, Sept. 16.—The Chinese Nationalist Government has released the 800-ton British ship, Edith Moller, detained for over three weeks, a Foreign Office spokesman stated here today.

Britain protested earlier this month against the ship's detention, which was a result of the Chinese Government's blockade of Communist-held ports.

The Edith Moller was reported to have been intercepted when trying to enter Shanghai and taken to the Chusan Islands in Hangchow Bay.—Reuter.

Suicide Of Indian Girl Student

London, Sept. 16.—Miss Roma Sarkar, 32-year-old daughter of Sir Jadunath Sarkar, the Indian historian, committed suicide here last Sunday night by drinking cyanide.

Miss Sarkar was found lying in bed in her lodgings in a London suburb in the throes of poisoning. Her landlady called the police, but she was dead when admitted to hospital.

Evidence was given at the inquest and it was stated that she had been in England since December, was a student of crystallography and intended to remain in London to take up medical research work.

No light was thrown on Miss Sarkar's reasons for taking her life. The coroner said that she left a note saying: "No one is responsible for my death."

He recorded a verdict that she had taken her life, not being of sound mind.

Two officials of the Education Department at India House attended the inquest and also the cremation of the body in accordance with the wishes of the family.

Some of the ashes will be scattered in the Garden of Remembrance at the crematorium. The remainder will be placed in a container and flown to India.—Reuter.

FLY-PAST OVER HONGKONG

A fly-past over Hongkong by the RAF, originally fixed for Thursday but postponed because of bad weather, was carried out this morning shortly after 10 a.m. Spitfires and Sunderlands of the RAF Station at Kai Tak took part.

EDITORIAL

Rabies Menace

A LARGE number of dog owners still do not seem to realise that the rabies menace in Hongkong has become extremely serious, and are still permitting their dogs to roam about in public unmuzzled and unleashed. Numbers of such animals may be observed on a walk through any business or residential district. At the beaches, which are normally crowded at this time of the year, dogs have also been seen on the loose, without being properly muzzled, as required by law. The danger cannot be over-emphasised. How grave the situation is may be seen from the following official figures. Twenty-three dogs have died from rabies since the beginning of this year—three only this week. Six persons bitten within the period have died horrible and painful deaths, while a seventh is under observation. Hundreds of people are being bitten each month; there were no fewer than 679 undergoing anti-rabies treatment in August alone. These figures give abundant cause for alarm. The authorities, who have watched the situation with growing concern, are planning an extensive propaganda campaign in an effort to make the general public aware of the danger in their midst. The public, however, are helpless unless dog owners co-operate. These must be made to understand that by permitting their dogs to go about un-

muzzled, they are not only courting trouble for their own animals but also menacing their own families as well as other citizens. There are enough stray dogs in the Colony without careless owners adding to the public risk by not taking the proper precautions. The time has arrived for the adoption of stricter measures of control. The best immediate course of action would appear to be to make anti-rabies inoculation of all licensed animals compulsory. This precaution is already being adopted by many owners, and there is no reason why it should not be extended, by making it compulsory, to cover all registered dogs. And just as it is required that all dogs licensed should carry their registration numbers on their collars, so should all those animals thus inoculated carry some indication on their collars that they have had this protection. The law should be amended to make owners subject to heavy penalty if they do not comply with the requirement. The measure, while it attacks only one side of the problem, must certainly help towards lessening the danger that exists to human beings as well as to animals. We ask the authorities to take prompt action along these lines. The urgency cannot be gainsaid.

Soldiers Relate Escape From Russian Prison

Berlin, Sept. 16.—An American GI, three British soldiers and a French civilian broke through Soviet guards today in a dramatic escape from a Russian prison in Berlin where they were beaten, kicked and given the "cold water treatment."

A fourth British soldier, Pte. Tyrell, is still held prisoner by the Russians.

The American, 26-year-old John J. Sinkiewicz, said he was arrested on November 5 last year on a French sector elevated tram which went into the Soviet sector.

"For no reason at all" a Soviet officer took him to a goal in the Soviet sector.

He escaped but was recaptured the next day and taken by another Russian to Dransburg. There he was questioned continuously for 10 days and nights.

Sinkiewicz, sent to hospital by the American authorities,

described how one of the Soviet interrogators "struck me and said I was lying because I was unable to answer questions."

"Eventually," he added, "they brought me back to the Soviet sector and put me into goal again. The food there was awful until five or six weeks ago when I was given white bread for the first time."

UNDER-NOURISHED

Sinkiewicz was covered with lice bites and was badly under-nourished.

One of the British escapees, Pte Morris Sullivan, told the story of the escape.

In a fit of desperation last night he tore a leg from his cell, battered a hole in the wall by the door and wrenched off the padlock to escape into the corridor.

With the help of Pte. Joe Boniface, who was in the same cell, he forced open the doors of two other cells and released Pte A. Taylor, the American and a French civilian.

The Russian wanderer apparently slept through the escape in his room at the far end of the corridor.

The five prisoners broke down a door, got through two barred wire fences, scaled a wall topped by jagged glass and dropped into the street outside.

KNOCKED OUT SENTRY

They split up after knocking out a Soviet sentry, Sullivan and Taylor going one way and eventually reporting to the French sector, and the other three to the British sector.

A British Military Government spokesman said that the three Britons had been fed on "the scantiest of rations" and were brutally ill-treated during their 18 months of captivity. They all need medical attention.

Major-General Bourne, British Commander, called on Colonel Alexis Yelizarov, Deputy Soviet Commander, today about the fourth British soldier, Pte. Tyrell's detention. The Russian promised to investigate the position immediately.—Reuter.

POLES DIVERT PLANE TO SWEDEN FORCIBLY

Stockholm, Sept. 16.—A Polish airliner landed on a military airfield in Sweden today, and the crew reported that the passengers forced them to fly from Poland to this country.

The airliner, operating on the internal Danzig-Neato-wice route in Poland, landed at Linköping, some 70 miles south of Stockholm.

Military authorities said that the plane carried a crew of three and 12 passengers.

Airfield personnel said that some of the passengers admitted that they forcibly compelled the pilot to fly to Sweden.

The airliner had just taken off from Odanek airfield when four of the passengers forced their way into the pilot's cabin, press reports said.

At the point of loaded pistols they forced the pilot to change course for Sweden.

The crew and the passengers, all of them Poles, are still detained for questioning at the military airfield of Linköping, where the Swedish police is holding them.

The plane is a Douglas DC-3 aircraft operated by the state-owned Polish Air Line.—Associated Press.

Bevin & Acheson Will Discuss 4 Main Problems

Washington, Sept. 16.—It was learned today that Mr. Dean Acheson, U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Secretary, and Mr. Robert Schuman, French Foreign Minister, plan to hold their Far Eastern discussions tomorrow after the Atlantic Pact Council meeting.

A reliable source said four main problems would be discussed:

1. The possibility of U.S. financial aid to India, Pakistan and Burma.
2. How to prevent Communism from penetrating Southeast Asia from the Chinese borders.
3. Trade with China.
4. The possibility of a Japanese peace treaty.

The source said some Western European nations feared that any U.S. financial aid to India, Pakistan and Burma might result in a smaller amount of ECA aid to Western Europe, and they hoped Mr. Schuman would be able to obtain an assurance from Mr. Acheson against any deep inroads on ECA.

OPTIMISM EXPRESSED BY CRIPPS

New York, Sept. 16.—Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, departed today by a BOAC plane for London, expressing "gratitude to our American and Canadian friends for their good work in helping us toward solution of dollar-sterling difficulties."

"We believe we have started out on a new road bringing us every chance to solve the great difficulty," he continued, "but, like all great difficulties, it will take some time. We are most optimistic the results will be good. We are most grateful to President Truman, Mr. Snyder and Mr. Acheson for all the help they have given us in this. We feel the atmosphere found in Washington is really the best pledge for certainty of finding a complete solution than we are able to do in four or five days. We think we have made considerable headway, but there are many more problems to be considered by the continuing body. Cooperation in the coming months will enable Britain to earn those dollars which must form the basis of balanced trade between our two countries."

Sir Stafford emphasised how much he and Mr. Bevin appreciate the sympathy Mr. Snyder gave the problem. He said he would report to the Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, on his return, and expected to make a BBC broadcast.

LIVING CONDITIONS

Asked if the Washington agreement would improve living conditions in Britain, Sir Stafford said: "Not for the moment, but it is a more stable beginning in solution of the problem which will bring better standards for your people and ours. I am going back to England full of optimism and quite sure we have started on a road that will help to lead to a solution. And I am satisfied that, if we can co-operate in the same spirit of co-operation, it will result in great advantage to all three countries."

Asked what he was taking back to England, Sir Stafford replied: "If you mean have I myself spent any dollars in America, the answer is in the negative."—United Press.

SHOT MOTHER OF EIGHT

Leeuwarden, Holland, Sept. 16.—A cabaret singer named Tabak, who had served a sentence of 15 years for murder, today shot a mother of eight children because she rejected his advances.

The mother, Mrs. P. G. Groenman, had consistently avoided Tabak but today he stopped her in the street and shot her. Then he carried the wounded a short distance and shot her again. When he was satisfied that she was dead he shot himself.—Reuter.

Naval Personnel Ordered To Man Power Stations

LABOUR UNREST SPREADS TO NORTHERN IRELAND

London, Sept. 16.—Spreading strikes and now claims for higher pay threatened today to blow the lid off Britain's wage controls. The wave of labour unrest followed by only a week Prime Minister Clement Attlee's warning to the 8,000,000-strong Trades Union Congress that demands for more pay without a matching rise in production "lead straight to inflation."

Royal Navy stokers kept electric power stations operating in Northern Ireland today after 3,000 electrical workers ignored the orders of their union leaders and walked off their jobs.

Another serious strike continued for a third day in the Scottish coalfields, where 4,108 miners were idle in 12 pits.

There, too, a claim for higher wages was responsible for a work stoppage, which is costing Britain coal production of more than 5,700 tons daily.

The British Home Secretary, Mr. C. E. D. Logie, ordered naval personnel and troops in the power stations at Belfast, Londonderry and Ballymurphy today after regular workers failed to report.

At noon more than 250 servicemen, most of them sailors,

working with the regular plant technical staffs, were maintaining regular electrical service.

NO PICKETING

It was the first use of troops in a labour dispute in the United Kingdom since they were called to unload food ships during this summer's London dock strike.

There was no picketing by the striking workers. No disorders were reported.

V. J. Girvan, chief electrical engineer at Belfast, said: "We can keep on this way for weeks if necessary."

The 3,000 electrical workers struck when their demands for a wage increase of three half pence an hour was refused.

A go slow of 900 members of the National Union of Railwaymen on the Southampton Docks threatens delay in the handling of Britain's largest ocean liners.

This group voted to work to rule (a slowdown) from September 20 to 25, to refuse more than eight hours work a day and banned work on Sunday, September 25.

OTHER CLAIMS

First of the Atlantic liners to be affected by their move may be the Queen Mary. It is due on Monday morning from New York.

Normally its unloading continues far into the night, requiring overtime.

The railway workers termed their action an "expression of dissent" at a consultation board's rejection of higher wages for railwaymen.

One of the British's largest unions, the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, decided today to press claims for a general increase of £1 a week for its two and a half million members.

Delegates representing 37 unions affiliated to the Confederation voted at a special meeting to support the wage increase claim.—Associated Press.

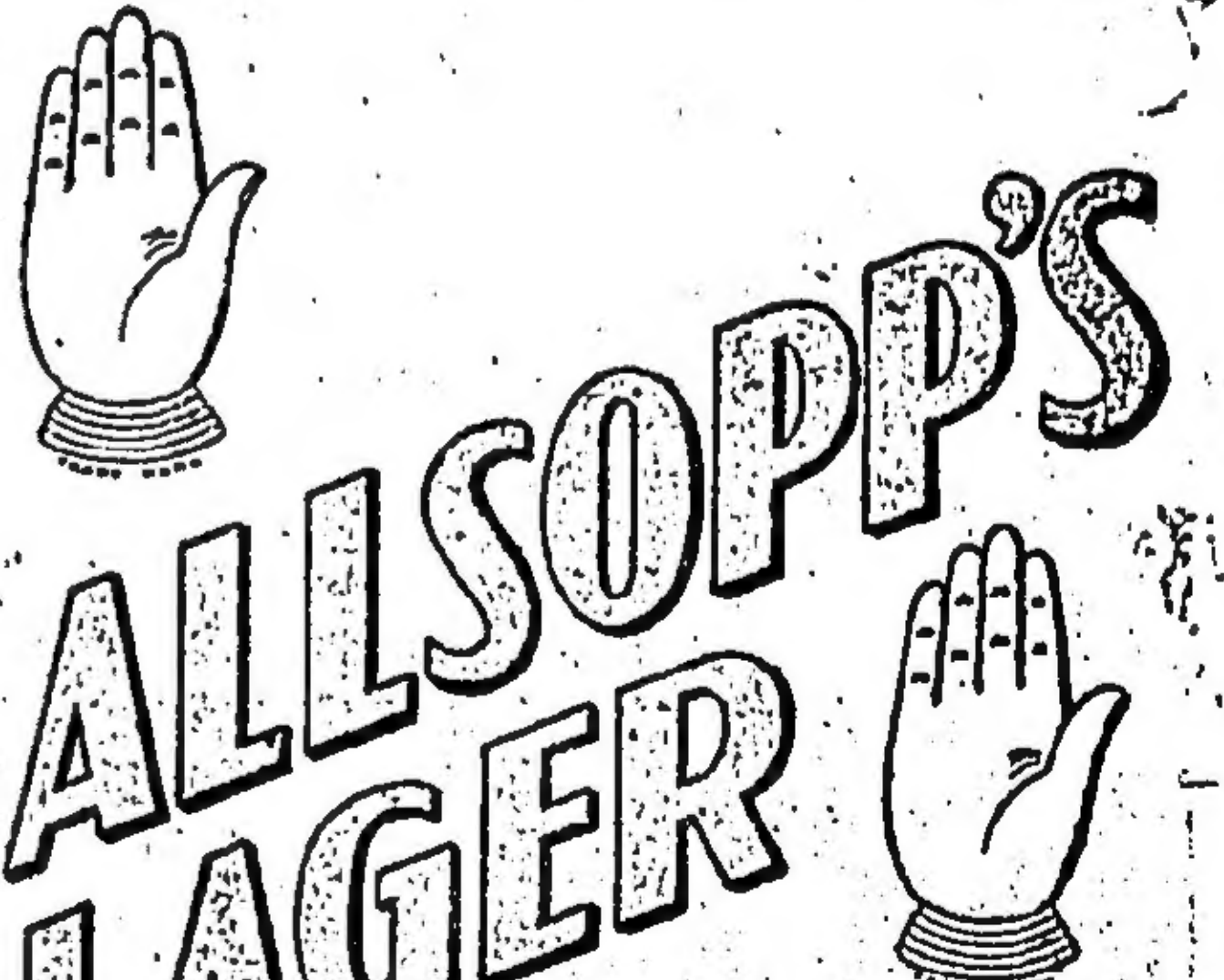
MADAME SUN MAY HEAD COALITION

Nanking, Sept. 16.—A well-informed Chinese source said today that Madame Sun Yat-sen, sister of Madame Chiang Kai-shek, probably will be chosen the first chairman of the Communist-sponsored coalition government expected to be formed in Peiping on October 10.

The source said that Gen. Chou En-lai, usually regarded as the No. 2 Chinese Communist, would become vice-chairman and if two vice-chairmanships were formed the second would go to Marshal Li Chi-shen, once-time Kuomintang general who broke with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

He said that Mao Tse-tung, leader of the Communist Party, is expected to stay out of the coalition government but will retain his leadership of the Party. He said that Chou, who was the chief Communist negotiator with Gen. George Marshall in 1946, probably would become Foreign Minister in the new government.

Madame Sun widow of the founder of the Chinese Republic, has been in Peiping for some weeks attending the Communist-sponsored Political Consultative Conference laying the groundwork for the Communist government.—United Press.



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Vyshinsky On Way To N.Y.

Prague, Sept. 16.—The Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Andrei Vyshinsky, arrived here today on his way to New York for the United Nations General Assembly session.—Reuter.

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CHARLES BICKFORD



Mickey makes a come-back at 21

A new film was released to celebrate the 21st birthday of Mickey Mouse. In this film, as in all his other films, his voice is the voice of Walt Disney.

by **Charles Graves**

Mickey Mouse's 21st birthday picture is called Mickey Down Under, and it is an event for his fans. For Mickey is not seen as often now as he used to be.

When Walt Disney was in London the other day I asked him why not. "Well," he said, "I guess Mickey is a pretty old mouse now. I don't want to overwork him."

Disney's voice

In Steamboat Willie Mickey began to talk. His voice is the voice of Walt Disney himself. It always has been and it still is. (Disney visits the sound recording department of his Hollywood studios three days a year in order to talk for Mickey.)

Do you remember The Opry House? In that picture Mickey played the proprietor of a small town show. Out of this musical idea came the germ of the Silly Symphonies. In 1930 Mickey appeared in his first Western (The Cactus Kid). He had some juicy roles as a fine chief, a violinist and a prisoner in The Chain Gang - where he acquired a new friend, Pluto.

A good year

Nineteen-thirty-one was a good year for him. He was able to shake off the competition of the Silly Symphonies, for although 10 of them were released, 12 of Mickey Mouse, he had by far the best scripts. Mickey appeared in the role of Robinson Crusoe, and as a hunter in Moose Hunt. He also did a take-off on Ted Lewis in Blue Rhythm, and had a party in Birthday Party.

Then came a big decision. Would he go into Technicolor or remain black and white? He decided on the latter.

He went to the Near East in Mickey in Army. He beat his way through the jungles of the Gold Coast in Darkest Africa; was a football hero in Touch Down; and spent a few weeks up in Alaska in The Klondike Kid. He was a mad doctor in Mickey's Molodrama, a medieval knight in Ye Olden Days, a pilot in the Mail Pilot, and a winning jockey in The Steeple Chase.

By this time he was firmly established as the head of a happy-go-lucky gang of characters, such as Minnie, Pluto, Goofy, Wilbur. The Wise Little Hen brought a new character by the name of Donald Duck.

Words and Music (QUEEN'S ALHAMBRA) is a technical musical in the best MGM tradition with a cast of such favourites as June Allyson, Perry Como, Judy Garland, Lena Horne, Gene Kelly, Mickey Rooney, and Ann Sothern. For light entertainment, you can hardly hope for anything easier on the eyes and ears. The songs are by Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart.

Lonesome Ghosts. (Lonesome Ghosts is the oldest Mickey Mouse now showing in this country, by the way.)

Put in shade

For the next two years Mickey was put in the shade by Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs and Fantasia. However, he won a lot of friends when he played the part of The Brave Little Tailor and when he took Pluto out in Society Dog Show and The Pointer.

With the entry of America into the war Mickey Mouse went into almost complete retirement. For Disney was occupied with training films, educational films, psychological films. In 1949 he

returned to the screen in Squallors' Rights and Pluto and the Armadillo. But they were small parts only.

It was not until 1947 that he received a star role in Fun and Fancy Free.

Oddly enough, his shorts as opposed to his occasional feature picture have not in themselves brought in sizeable money. Exhibitors pay a maximum of £30 a week and a minimum of 15s. for three days to show him on the screen.

Yet each of his pictures now costs \$50,000 to make compared with the pre-war budget of \$32,000.

As such he is technically uneconomical. On the other hand, his toys are sold all over the world. His face appears as the hall-mark of two thousand different advertised products.

(London Express Service)

Pardon me while I look for a star..

By **LEONARD MOSLEY**

To a lovely old Venetian palace on the Grand Canal here came a constant stream of lanterned gondoliers, speedboats, and launches—all crowded with smartly clad guests.

Delegates (from 18 nations) to the International Film Festival at Venice were arriving for a party.

It was given by the British Film Producers Association to meet the personalities of the British film

industry participating in the festival.

But when the guests looked around for the British stars and directors they were expecting to meet not a single British player of any importance was on view.

The beauty and talent of the industry were represented by a small-party player named Colette Melville here for a holiday and some London mannequins here for a dress show.

Sir Duff and Lady Cooper, newly arrived in Venice, represented the production side of British films.



John Barrymore, Jr., 16, soon to make his debut as a film cowboy, practises diction with his mother, Mrs. Dolores Costello Vruwink, wife of a Los Angeles physician.

DEANNA DURBIN IS OUT OF WORK

By **EVELYN WEBBER**

Deanna Durbin, who, at 14, became the world's biggest box-office attraction, is now out of work. At 27, she has been dropped by her studio.

Universal International has taken Deanna's name from her dressing-room door and put Ida Lupino's there instead.

An official said: "She has not done anything for us for two years."

"We are not making the last three pictures in her contract because of increasing public apathy."

"But we are paying her the usual £12,500 bonus on each picture. It is cheaper that way."

It was 13 years ago that a fat little girl, with blue eyes and a voice, signed her first film contract.

Her name was Edna Mae Durbin. She changed Edna Mae to Deanna and said: "I'll keep Durbin in case I ever amount to anything."

She amounted to a dollar millionaire—the daughter of a Manchester gas engineer.

But that first contract at £25 a week was signed by MGM. Then Mary Pickford, at that time a Universal director, heard Deanna sing.

The girl in the cheap cotton frock was given £37 10s. a week and put into a B picture called "Three Smart Girls."

With that, 14-year-old Deanna became a star. The film cost £29,000. It made £200,000 profit.

Next year she made "One Hundred Men and a Girl." It

—AND MARRIAGE

At 19 she married 24-year-old Vaughn Paul, a junior producer and her first sweetheart.

After two years and two mediocre pictures, Deanna sued for divorce, "because of my husband's constant criticism of my film work."

Her new producer, Felix Jackson, believed she was an actress.

"Hers to Hold," the first of her new-style films, was released in 1943 and had a mature leading man in Joseph Cotton.

But though she was still the nation's highest paid woman—£29,000 a year—critics were beginning to snap: "She's a better singer than actress."

Then "Christmas Holiday," Deanna chose to play the part of a cheap woman in a low divorcee. And from that moment she was dead at the box office.

In 1945 Deanna married Jackson, 20 years older, as his fourth wife. They had a daughter.

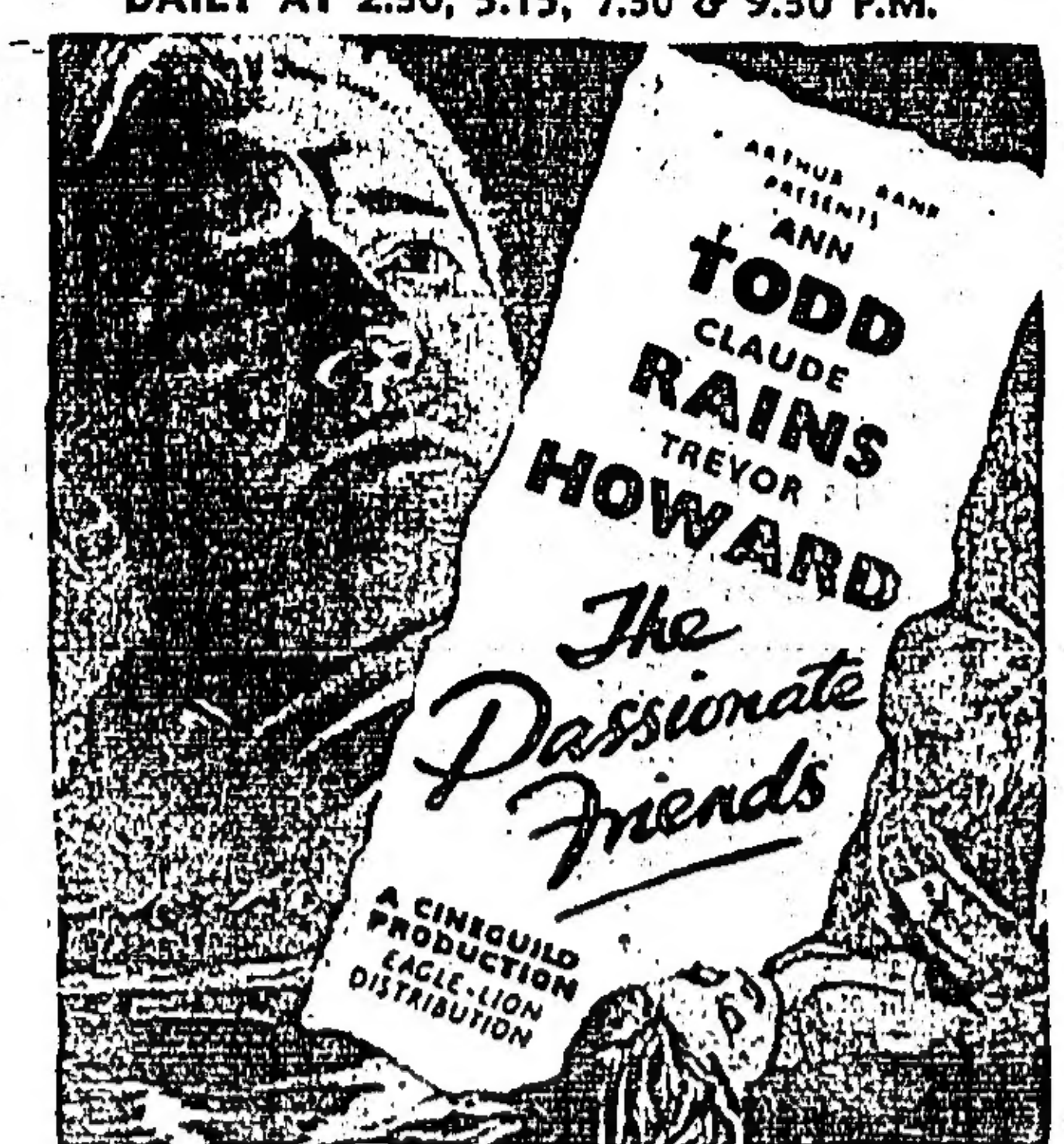
Two years later they separated. She lives now with her daughter, secretary, and maid.

(London Express Service)

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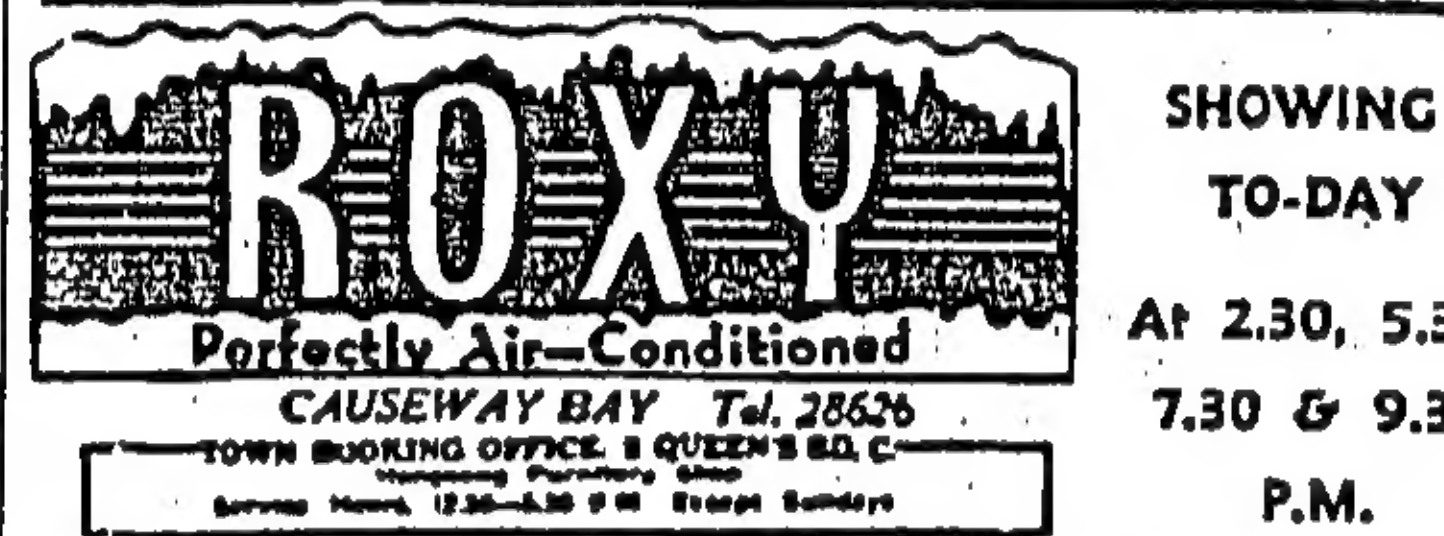


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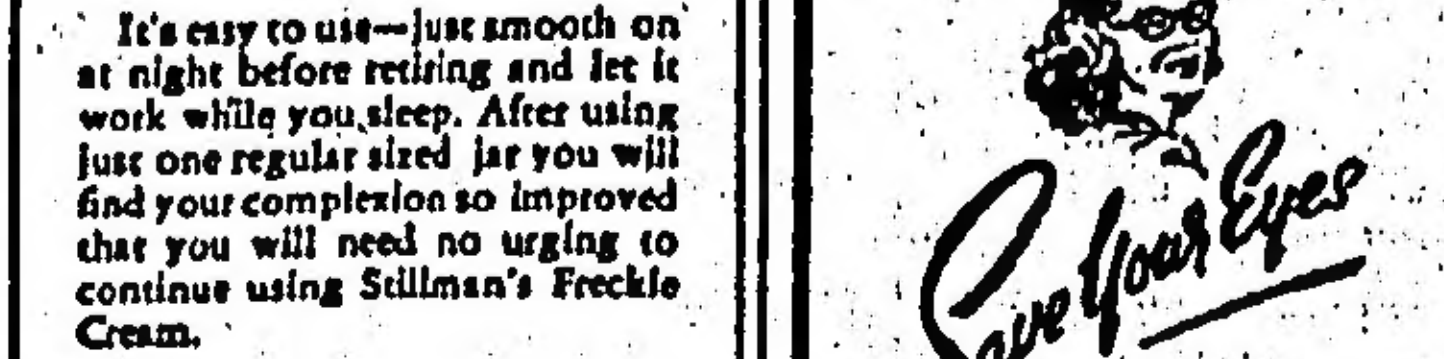
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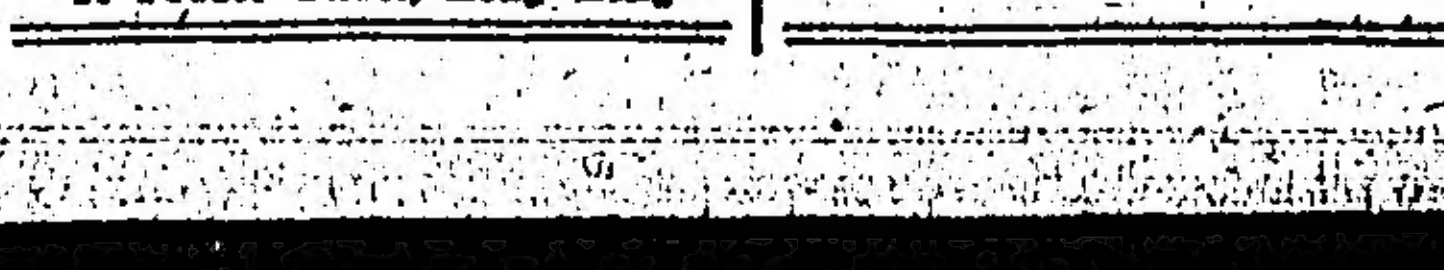
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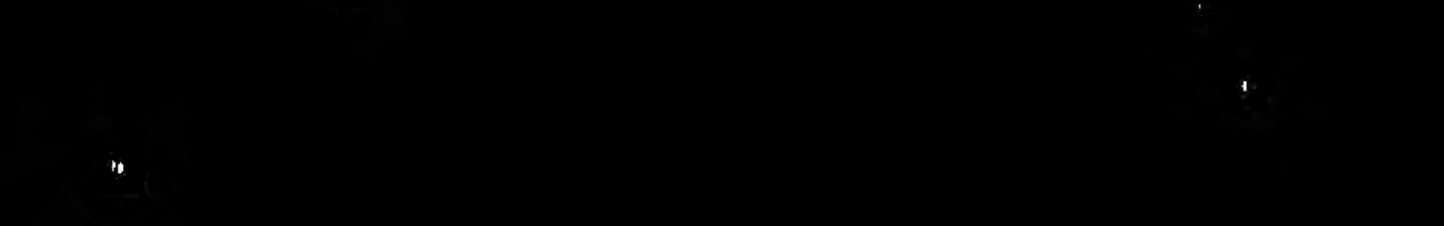
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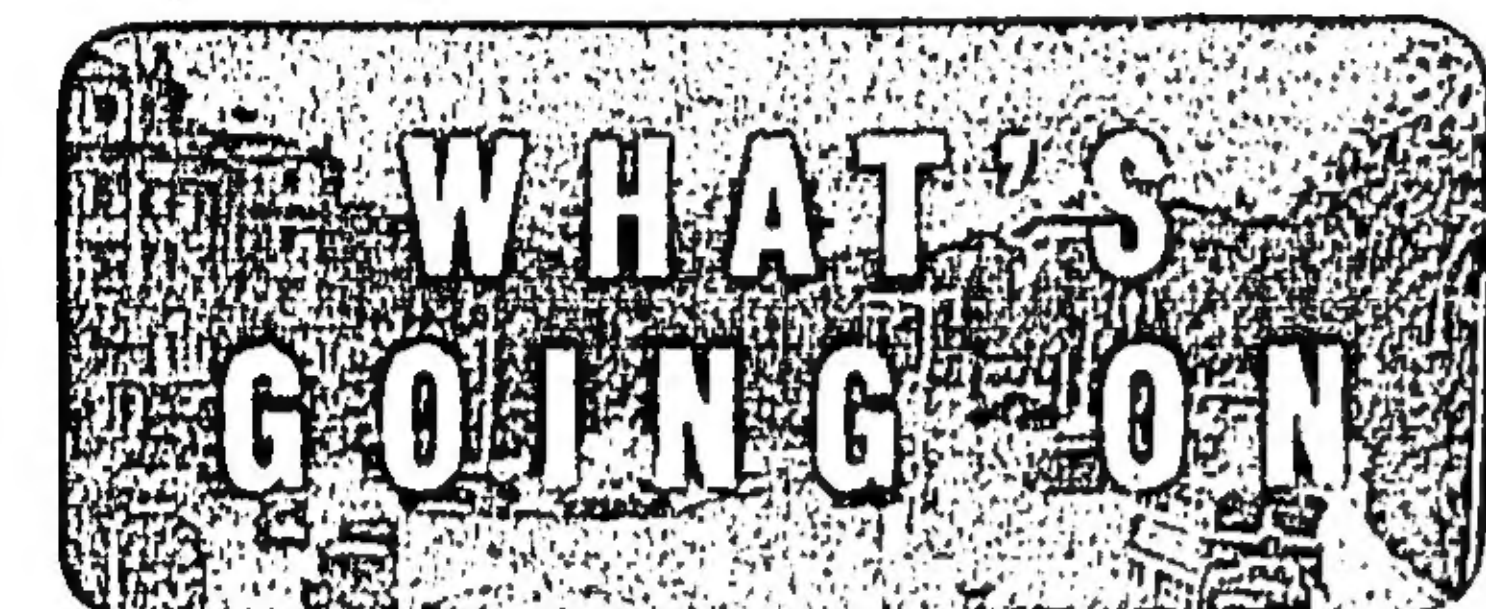
At 9 p.m. they rush for their jewels

DEAUVILLE. In the specially fitted safes of the Deauville big-three hotels—the Normandy, the Golf, and the Royal—are resting at this moment the rubies, diamonds, and pearls of three Indian maharajas, a set of antique jade belonging to an Egyptian princess, the ten-carat diamond solitaire of an American chain-store heiress (not Barbara Hutton), the sapphire and diamond necklace owned by the ex-wife of a Canadian millionaire, and a few odd gems or two.



EVE PERRICK cables from DEAUVILLE

This load of ice, spread over the three hotels is worth something like £250,000, but the reason for its safe custody has nothing to do with the recent jewel robberies here.



BY EPHRAIM HARDCASTLE

IT is said that FIELD-MARSHAL MONTGOMERY and GENERAL JEAN DE LATTRE DE TASSIGNY, his principal military subordinate in the Western Union Forces, have not spoken to each other for two months.

And that Montgomery's staff is now finding it difficult to get him to sign a letter to de Tassigny.

New royal home?

THE KING AND QUEEN paid a recent visit to Deeside Aberfeldie Castle, two miles from Balmoral, with a view to extending the lease.

It may become the Scottish home of PRINCESS ELIZABETH. But not yet. Long in disuse, much money would have to be spent on it.

State seat

DELIVERED to Calcutta Place, Rending, home of blind SIR FELIX POLE, a mahogany chair.

He used it during the years he was general manager of the Great Western Railway.

When he heard that the Railway Executive was replacing old furniture at Paddington he wrote asking whether he could purchase the chair.

It had a lifetime of happy memories for him.

And it was already 50 years old when he first sat in it in 1921 as G.W.R.'s youngest general manager.

Western Region had the chair polished, sold it to Sir Felix for £10, fixed by valuation.

In that you have an essential difference between nationalisation and private trading.

With the railways nationalised the chair had become public property, and could not be made a gift, as it would certainly have been under private enterprise.

With sauce

MUSSOLINI's barber, gardener, butler, have all written their memoirs of the Duce.

Now comes another book from below stairs. MARIA BARDELLA, his cook, is writing a biography of Mussolini as seen through the kitchen-hatch.

Her reason: She needs the money, for although she is said to be an excellent cook no one will employ her.

Carlton exit

THE LAST of the great pre-war hoteliers is retiring: GELARDI, now the sole resident of what used to be the Carlton Hotel, Haymarket.

the Aga Khan at his morning golf every day, have been brought into the town due to any special nervousness on the part of the population.

They are part of the usual precautions taken here annually as Deauville starts on its big week-end of the season, the setting-off point for the Grand Prix. And the town rapidly fills up with the world's rich men.

Although the public transport service in the Normandy centre of luxury living is adequate, it is better to arrive here in something you own yourself—an aeroplane, a yacht, or a highly powered car, depending on where you are coming from.

The gamblers

DEAUVILLE must surely be the only place in the world where the comparatively poor, as against the £3 to £5 a day (without food) hotel guests, are the people who live in yachts.

At nine o'clock each night—that is when the ladies make their way down to the strong-rooms to collect their jewels—the tempo changes.

Until then it is possible to get a dinner in the elite places for the fixed price of £1, plus 15 per cent tax. After this you must eat from the à la carte menu at three times the price. (All the English here are early diners).

And after nine o'clock evening dress is compulsory for the high stakes gambling rooms, where you can lose £1,000 in one unlucky round in the Casino.

The atmosphere outside the entrance there every night as crowds of sightseers wait to watch the people arrive is like a film premiere in Leicester Square.

But there are no film stars in Deauville now. The Grand Prix brings the solid, tangible wealth—and not-salaried actors and actresses, however much their weekly pay cheque may be.

Jane Wyman and Hedy Lamarr are two who have looked in recently.

The mannequins

NOW that Rosie Dolly has gone back to Cannes, heiress Mrs Donahue, Mme. Henri Citroen, the Comtesse de Chavagnac, (sometime hostess to the Duke and Duchess of Windsor), Mrs Eric Loder are vying for the title of the best-dressed woman. But this honour belongs to any one of a group of working girls here.

They are models from the big Paris dress houses showing their new collections twice a day in the £10-a-head night spot, the Ambassadors.

The mannequins, wearing the most lavish of evening gowns and fur wraps, parade smilingly to the applause of the customers, unaware of the fact that, outside the Casino's doors, are pouring down curses upon their innocent heads, for the latest evening dresses they are displaying are mainly short ones.

PERSONAL POINTS: Deauville's two wealthiest figures—the Aga Khan and American publisher Ralph Strassburger—are the least lavish spenders in the Casino. Neither of them gambles on the tables; neither of them drinks. Each time they make a table reservation at the night spots the head waiter writes "Yoghourt" after Aga Khan's name, "Lemonade" after Strassburger's, to remind his staff not to serve wine.

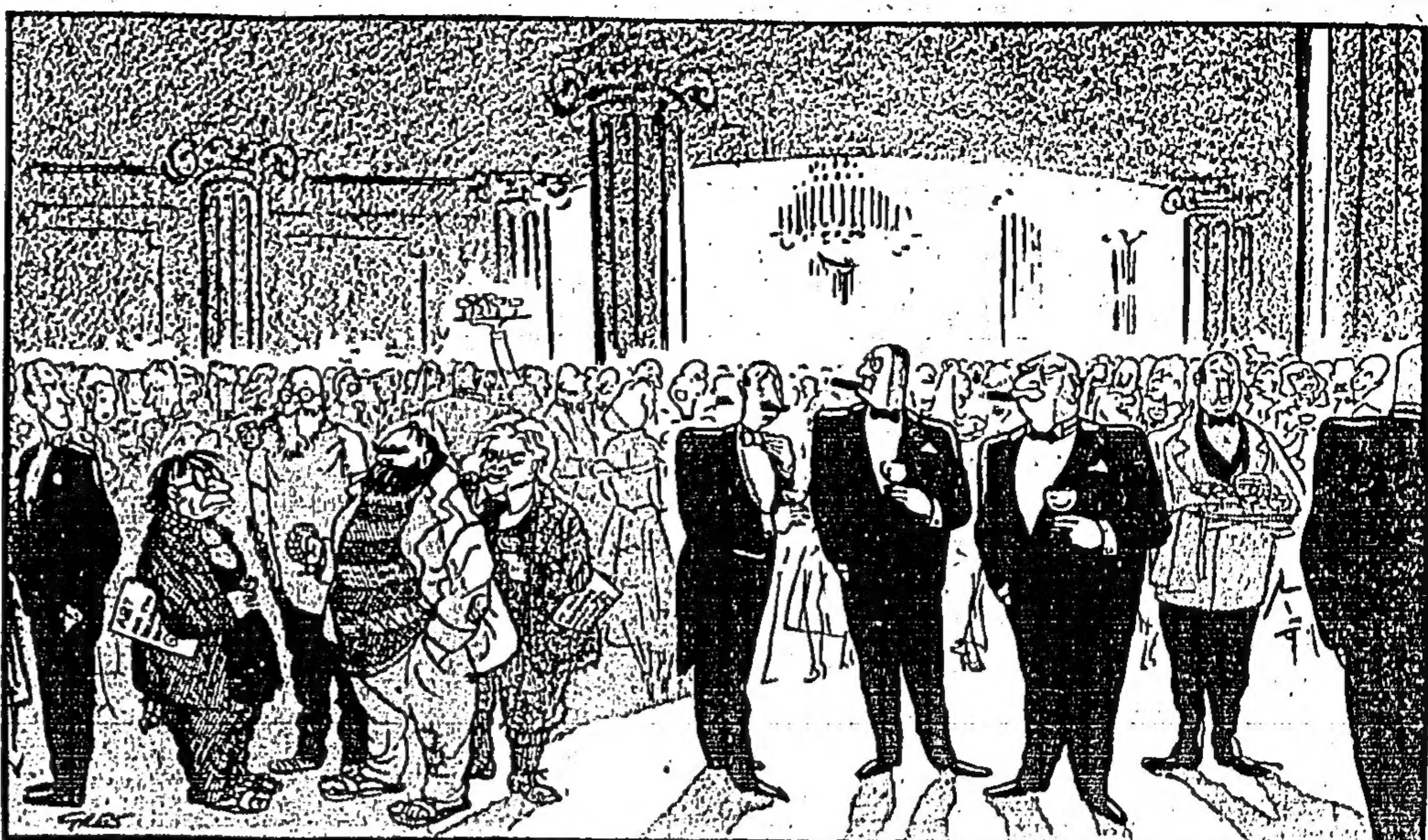
...The Aga Khan's remark to the M-harajah of Rajasthan: "Every day my doctor finds something else wrong with me, but I will live to be weighed in platinum yet!"

...Princess Rita, wearing the same outfit every day—she is making more public appearances since her husband announced the expected baby—rid swaggers coat over blue jeans in the morning, navy blue maternity two-piece in the afternoon, black full-skirted dinner dress at night.

A woman wrote to QUEEN MARY asking her help in the recovery of a necklace, cleaner, missing since 1945, when her house was a British Army billet.

Mostly they are appeals for aid, and are referred to relevant C.C.G. departments.

—(London Express Service)



"I suppose if the master tailors' strike affects Savile-row we shall automatically become a race of intellectuals"

London Express Service

'When Britain is in a jam—the British are the people to get her out'

Do they care in London for the far-off family?

by a Liberal member of Australia's Federal Parliament who graduated at Oxford, won the M.C. in New Guinea, and is well known as a journalist—HENRY B. GULLETT

WE in Australia and New Zealand will bear almost any sacrifices which will aid Britain's economic rehabilitation, not only for reasons of sentiment and loyalty, but in common self-interest.

It would be foolish, however, to assert that in the Dominions today there is anything approaching complete confidence in the political leadership of this Empire—a leadership which quite rightly emanates from London.

As crisis succeeds crisis and one panacea follows another we ask ourselves are we really making any progress; have we a long-term policy, or are these measures merely designed to postpone the day when we must admit failure and recast our whole conception of the Empire as we have been brought up to believe in it?

To meet these crises, Prime Ministers meet in London. What they discuss no one knows. But after due consideration they inevitably return home with far from reassuring news, and usually with bleak announcements in the best Cripps tradition of further "necessary restrictions."

It is no business of the Dominions to criticise any particular Government or party in the United Kingdom, but today there is a growing feeling that there is not sufficient appreciation of the difficulties and potentials of the Dominions in the mind of the British Government.

Growing doubt

MEMORIES persist of an earlier, perhaps unguarded, statement by a prominent Socialist Minister to the effect that the destruction of the Empire was essential to the achievement of Socialism.

There is an increasing doubt as to the wisdom of our being permanently tied to a Crippsian economy which pays so little heed to our own basic requirements.

For example, in Australia we are short of petrol and road-making machinery. We must have these things to develop our country, and they are available only from dollar sources.

Sir Stafford Cripps tells us that we must reduce our dollar expenditure and do without them. Very well, then we shall have to do so.

But it is difficult for us to see the necessity for it when the British Government agrees to buy beef, mutton, and lamb higher than she pays for, Australian meat.

Britain undertakes to pay a substantial part of the Argentine meat bill with 5.8 million tons of petrol and petrol products. This petrol is nearly twice as much as Australia's total consumption.

Yet Australia has been told, with much flourishing of "secret" documents from Sir Stafford, that she must restrict her use of petrol because it has to be paid for in dollars.

As a member of the family, we, presumably, are to be paid for our meat and wool in sterling funds, which we cannot convert into things we urgently need to develop production in our country.

Government members of the Attlee Government have visited the Dominions. There seems to be no understanding at home of the population problems of Australia and New Zealand.

This great question, expressed in the blunt and significant terms which many of us feel it deserves involves the whole problem of the dispersal of the population and industry of the British people in the United Kingdom.

Population

DOES the Attlee Government, for example, realise that this vast country will inevitably be filled and filled quickly? The question to decide is whether Australia is to be an Asiatic, European, or a British country. If Britain does not send people then we must take them from elsewhere who are prepared to come.

How, in the long run, would an Australia of mixed nationalities, a great nation, but one owing no ties of blood or sentiment to Great Britain suit the British people?

On the other hand, in Britain itself are there not now more people than you can decently feed? Will Socialism, or free enterprise, or any other politico-economic system enable you to overcome this fundamental truth?

To many of us the continuation of inadequate rationing seems a proof that it will not.

In fact, is not Britain's alternative as inevitable as ours—that population must decrease, either voluntarily by migration or through economic compulsion?

It seems to us that the attitude of some British leaders—who urge the British people to stay in the home islands—illustrates both unwillingness to see the necessities of our situation and misunderstanding of the essential make-up of the Commonwealth.

There seems to be an idea that, in leaving Sussex for New South Wales, the migrant abandons something more than his homeland; that he leaves, in fact, his very allegiance, his loyalty, and his race. But it is not so.

No other nation in history has a like opportunity to disperse its wealth, its people, and its enterprise among its own people beyond the seas, and our leaders should recognise it.

Empire pride

It would be wrong to give any picture of imperial relations from this end without more than touching on the admiration and affection which we feel for the people of the United Kingdom and the pride we feel in our association with them.

On the debit side, there is ignorance, doubt, a woeful lack of Empire leadership, and a feeling that the great problems of the future of our people are not being faced or tackled honestly in the highest quarters.

Got together

THESE are not small problems but they are not insuperable; we have faced them before.

We met them at Ottawa, where we sent well-informed delegations. They put their cards on the table for all to see, and they had power to get in their own countries.

The result, much criticised as it has been since, brought a sharing and lightening of the burden of depression. Indeed, it brought a measure of prosperity to the participants.

We are not primarily business partners, nor do we owe our relationship and status to the defence of lawyers. But the average British citizen—Canadian, Welsh, or Filipino—finds reflected in the policies of our rulers so little of the warmth and individuality which characterised the relationship of our forces during the war.

We should recognise that there has also grown up in Australia an increasing respect for the American economy and a realisation that, like the rest of the world, we depend for our prosperity on vigour and generosity of the American people.

What does all this add up to? On the credit side, there is loyalty, affection, mutual self-interest, and a desire to work together as we did during the war years.

To remind you: International Trade Organisation; United Nations Organisation; Organisation of European Economic Co-operation.

—(London Express Service)

C.V.R. Thompson One way only

NEW YORK. WE will see this autumn which political way the American people want to go—Left or Right.

President Truman thinks they will go Left. Congress disagrees.

A by-election shaping up in New York, America's most populous and influential State, will tell Truman and Congress which of them made the best guess.

At stake is a seat in the U.S. Senate.

Truman's man, Herbert Lehman, many times New York's Governor, entered the fight today. He is a strong candidate, and there can be no quibbling about his politics. He was a 100 per cent F.D.R. man.

And he is just as strong for what Conservatives call Truman's Fair Deal "Socialism," as he was for what they called Roosevelt's New Deal "Communism."

But the Republicans, or Tories, will have just as strong a candidate. It is almost certain that John Foster Dulles, appointed by his friend Governor Tom Dewey to finish out the present session in the vacant seat, will agree to fight Lehman.

GOLD packed in transparent bottles will be sold for Christmas gifts in the U.S. this year. Each package will contain 2½ ozs. of unrefined metal, and will cost \$25. Shoppers will be advised to buy it for their friends as security against the return of inflation.

BANDS may soon be called out of most of New York theatres, night clubs, and hotels because of a row between James Petrillo and his Musicians' Union and the Variety Artists' Union.

Petrillo complains that a bass fiddler in a Harlem night club was forced to pay dues to the actors' union just because he spoke a few words introducing an entertainer.

IT IS TIME, wrote Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt in her daily column, that America called off the war it has been fighting against Britain ever since the Boston Tea Party.

Said she: "We have taught history in such a way that many of our young people still believe Great Britain is an enemy. We need Great Britain and her people, and she needs us."

HOBOS from all parts of America are meeting for their annual convention in Rochester. But their boss, Jeff Davis, complains that hobos are not what they used to be. Instead of arriving by train, most of them are flying in for the meeting.

It is the "sad truth," says hobo Davis, that most of the boys are now in conventional jobs.

MORE CIGARETTES than ever were smoked by Americans in the financial year ended June 30. The year's sales, published by the industry, totalled 300,000 million, an increase of three per cent.



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THE new 18,000-ton luxury liner, La Marsillaise (left), of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes, called at Hongkong on her maiden voyage last week-end. To celebrate the occasion of her visit, a cocktail party was given on board which was attended by many prominent residents. Above: the master, Capt. E. Martin (third from left), pictured with the French Consul, M. Jobez, Mr and Mrs A. J. R. Moss and other guests. Below: one of the public rooms. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



MR and Mrs William Brooks photographed with friends after their wedding at the Registry on Monday. The bride was formerly Miss Kathleen Livsey. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



PHOTOGRAPH taken at the Roman Catholic Cathedral on Sunday last after the wedding of Miss Irene Sequira to Mr J. J. Remedios. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



THE Royal Navy's annual swimming sports were held at HM Dockyard last week. Above: team from HMS Concord, who won the 12-length freestyle relay. Left: team from HMS Jamaica, who won the 8-length medley relay. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



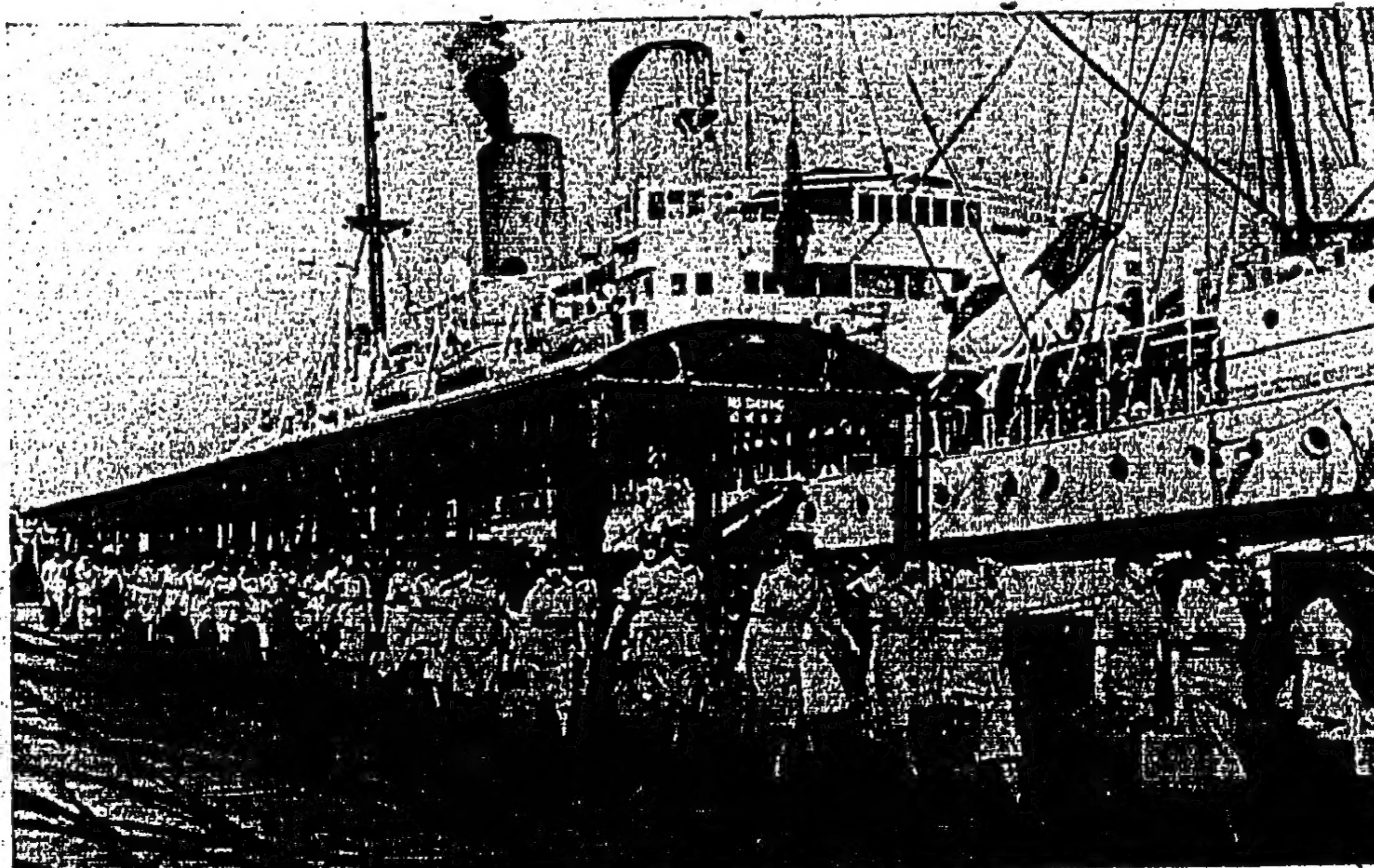
GROUP picture taken on the occasion of the inaugural dinner of the Fatima Club, held at the Club Lusitano last Sunday. (Jimmy Foo)

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NURSING sisters and other ranks of No. 33 General Hospital (La Salle College) disembarking from the troopship, Empire Ken, after her arrival here on Tuesday. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

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WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

A Sculptured Line for Evening

"If thou wouldst please the ladies, thou must endeavour to make them pleased with themselves..."

LONDON. AND this, Ronald Paterson, a comparative newcomer in the field of fashion, has done with some success. He followed the general "lady-like" trend that has emerged from the autumn collections, but brought to it refreshing originality.

He believes that clothes should be international in appeal, and that the relationship of fabric to design governs fashion, to make timely clothes of the day wearable in all climates. His day dresses are skilfully designed so that they can be made in crepe, silk, rayon or wool, whichever is most preferred. He believes, too, that the modern woman, living in an age of great activity, demands clearer thinking and reasoning from the

combination of black and brown). Travel coats shown were in wide checks—yellow, blue, grey and white for one; tobacco brown, yellow and white for another. One was in double wool, with grey outside weave in red, black, grey and white check, and inside weave in matching grey. Collar and cuffs were faced with grey. They were ample, comfortable, and made of the finest wool fabrics or Scottish tweeds. Magyar sleeves are once again in favour.

Hip Pockets

Some of the day dresses had interesting details. A cinnamon brown dress with hip pockets showed a pleated underskirt in the front; a fine grey crepe dress featured a tiny pleated brogue over the pleated skirt; two black dresses specially designed for accessories had

double back bodices, with bloused effect. These bodices were eye-deceiving. At first sight they appeared like separate panels at the back, and only on close examination was it seen that they were attached.

A very sophisticated afternoon dress in reversible crepe with black background and coffee spots, had the skirt swept over to one side to give the effect of an asymmetrical basque. The fold of the material formed a pocket in the side, and the fall of material showed the reverse side—coffee with black spots.

From formal afternoon dresses to theatre frocks, cocktail wear was the next step. To enable you to work all day, and look glamorous in the evening, Ronald Paterson has designed a "theatre jacket" in black faille embroidered in jet and braid across the shoulders and down the sleeves. The jacket is full with rounded shoulders and wide armholes, and the sparkling jet embroidery looks its best under artificial light.

Cocktail Glamour

A most unusual cocktail dress was a black taffeta-backed velvet one over stiff black faille—with outline embroidery in black and midnight blue sequins. The general effect was of a velvet fitting coat worn over a dress, with masses of shimmering embroidery around neck and from waist to hem.

But the most beautiful restaurant dress of all was one in green-gold, pure silk taffeta shot with black. The black velvet jacket top was held in place by a wide belt, and the model turned round and her skirt billowed out, a coffee lace petticoat could be seen.

Dress for dinner in a draped dress of grape green wool reorgette with unusual apron front drawn to one side and falling in a point at the front. To dance your way from late dinner to early morning, he

"SEA AND SKY"... this Grecian draped jersey evening dress in Mediterranean blues could not be more aptly named. Designed by Ronald Paterson. (left)

BY THE SAME DESIGNER, is this strapless brown and silver grey satin gown trimmed with black lace superimposed on black sequins. The heavy material is caught up on one hip. (below)



showed three evening dresses. Black and old gold satin brocade made a dress with graceful skirt and wide hip pockets. The décolleté was high and curled over at the edge like the petals of a flower, balancing the wide hip line.

"Sea and Sky" was the name given to a Grecian draped jersey evening dress in Mediterranean blues, with an elaborately draped bodice (illustrated here).

And the last was a strapless model in brown and silver grey satin trimmed with black jets superimposed on black sequins. The heavy material was caught up on one hip and allowed to fall in deep folds at the sides. (Illustrated below).

Seldom has a collection of dresses aroused such interest. It was difficult to single out one model for special praise. Ronald Paterson is a technician as well as an artist, and personally cuts every model himself. He follows the design from the minute it is born to final completion, and perhaps this is the reason for the flawless beauty of each design.

Showing in Venice

As an independent designer he is showing his models in Venice at the International Film Festival along with such famous names as Dior, Jacques Fath, and Pierre Balmain. These dresses, on some of Britain's top mannequins, have floated down the canal in a gondola to a party at the Palazzo Dario, one of the charming old Palaces of Italy. Later they were included in the midnight fashion parade at the Hotel Excelsior, Venice Lido. All Ronald Paterson's models will be worn by Gloria Raines last season when Jacques Fath chose her to model for him.

The "Top Ten" designers declined the Parisian invitation to take part in the Festival, but Mark Luker, Matilda Etches, Rahvis and Jacqueline Vienne are showing, and it will be interesting to see how the independent couturiers fared.

—By JOAN ERSKINE

Individuality In A Black Dress

By ROSE ROLLAND

THE legend that a woman's best friend is her "little black dress" is true only up to a point. Friendship needs cultivating like anything else, and the woman who simply slips on a black dress and leaves it at that may find that her appearance may not be all she hopes.

To choose the right shade of black is the first essential; there are as many shades of black as there are of grey. One may suit your hair and skin, bringing out the best of both; another may make the one look dull, the other yellow.

The next thing is to choose the right style of dress. A style which looks charming in a colour may look dowdy in black. You may need something which shows up your string of pearls which, in turn, may look better against your skin than against your material. Decide carefully whether the neckline is to be round, throat-high or cut in a "V". If you decide on a velvet tush, you will need to find the right black for that.

FLASH OF COLOUR

Having chosen the shade, fabric and style, why not enliven the dress with a flash of colour as Victor Stiebel has done. In one of his creations the bodice is embroidered with cut out flowers which allow the colour of the kingfisher blue lining to flash through. (Or you might line a hanging panel with colour). There is the attractive tunic effect, the long slim sleeves and the shoulder yoke effect.

The hat is an essential part of a black dress and should be chosen while the dress is worn and on a day, incidentally, when you are feeling in particularly good form. All the details mentioned in connection with this particular model are signs of clever and intelligent planning.

SHOES inspired by the ballet are gaining in popularity—and the American type of "flat" is right at the top. These are usually very low cut in front with a slight concealed heel, and they sit low at the back. Often they have detachable straps in silk or gold kid, to criss-cross round the ankle and give a real "ballerina" look. Worth noting is the fact that they are being worn with both full and light skirts.

WITONIS are very "lady-like"—demure rows of tiny pearl ones fasten a blouse; larger grey pearl ones are used on dresses; and exotic black pearl buttons turn a plain dress into an interesting one.

The smart girl who cannot afford to buy an expensive blouse is getting clever. She buys a neat cheap blouse, and changes all the buttons on it. Next time you go shopping—compare the buttons on blouses. You will see suits in the difference. On grey dresses, the accepted button is now gold and spherical.

SUITS FOR MEN this time will soon appear in new lightweight materials. From America we shall see suits in 3/4 oz. tropical wool worsted (with next to no lining); others will be in a new combination of rayon and cotton in the weave; and an all-cotton suiting, woven finely on silk looms, is carried out in worsted patterns.

BACK POCKETS



Here come pockets again, and of them in use for a ray muller. In a clever woman's coat.

London Express Service.

New COLOURS for autumn MAKE-UP

by EILEEN ASCROFT

NEW make-up colours to flatter the autumn dress shades are more vibrant and colourful than we have worn through the long hot days of summer.

Radiant Peony is lovely with the new range of off-blacks—blues, greens, reds and greys which are so dark they look almost black.

With ginger and cinnamon and brown shades there is Cinnamon, a rich deep red with blue tones, or Redwood, which is a lighter shade. For evening mauve, lilac and pink shades there are Paradise Pink and Crimson Lilac and red tones are good with Royal and Red Feather.

Garden beauty

ASTRINGSENTS made from pomegranate seeds, cleansing lotion from cucumbers and lettuce and nourishing cream from carrots to walk round Clifford's Hancon's beauty laboratory is like touring round a nursery garden.

Trained in Vienna in Cosmetics Chemistry, Mr Hancon has devoted his life to discovering the soothing, healing and beautifying qualities of trees, fruit, flowers and vegetables, and using them in creams and lotions.

His studies have taken him all over the world, particularly to the Far East, Egypt and the Balkans.

In Bulgaria he discovered the basis of his three lovely perfumes by accident. One night he was walking back to his hotel and felt a crunching under his feet and noticed a wonderful musky scent. In the morning he returned and found nothing.

Next night by the light of a torch he discovered the perfume came from a tiny moss plant, which only came out at night, and when crushed gave off this pungent scent.

Supplies of this Bulgarian moss are sent over to him regularly kept in wax for a year before the oil is extracted and then used as a perfume basis.

Rejuvenating

IN Australia he discovered that Ti-Tree oil is anti-septic and healing, and from this he makes healing lotions and creams for skin complaints. Another tree, which grows in Prague, provides a rejuvenating sap, which is used to make a plasma make-up.

From Greece he learned the ancient custom of crushing

quince seeds, which have whitening and softening qualities, to put into skin foods.

In Egypt he listened to the traditions of Cleopatra's beauty care and brought back sandalwood oil and cream made from crushed grape seeds.

Peaches for his peach nourishing skin food come over from Ireland's hot houses.

Flowers, trees and vegetables, which grow in England, are used as well. The ash tree from Kent makes a cleansing hand lotion; rose petals from Surrey gardens are crushed to make hand cream; nasturtium flowers and seeds are good astringents, and exfoliants are one of the finest protections against redness and soreness of sunburn.

Co-operative flats

AN interesting housing experiment is nearing completion on Fifth Avenue, New York City. It is a luxury block of co-operatively owned apartments. Designed by the famous American architect, W. J. E. Housner, it towers 10 storeys high and looks over Central Park.

Apartments comprise 3-7 rooms, balconies, terraces, powder rooms and dining alcoves, and prices range from \$24,000 to \$40,000, with a maintenance rental of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) a year.

Said to be one of the most luxurious blocks of flats in the world, amenities include television outlets, dark oak parquet floors, modern laundry and garage, model fitted kitchen and cocktail bars.

Co-operative owners of this luxury building will move in in 1950, but all apartments were sold months ago.

Brainwaves

Glass fibre swim suits, which allow you to tan all over (glass lets through ultra violet rays) is the aim of one English manufacturer for next summer.

Merry Milles, little boy clothes that ingeniously "grow" with the child, introduced by designer Merry Hull.



From Paris, Betty Wilson sends me latest accessory news.

GLOVES.—Dior uses antelope and kid for long evening gloves, cut into a deep point and reaching right up to the shoulder as in the sketch. Sometimes a Vandyke band of fagoting above the wrist, picks up the fared point.

Another Dior idea is to match a sky-blue dress with sky kid gloves, edged with Persian lamb well above the elbow.

UMBRELLAS.—Paquin introduces the Umbrella Bag (see sketch) which leaves one hand free to deal with his extra-light skirts. Bag is in black suede clasped with tortoise-shell, dangling from a gold-banded tortoise-shell handle.

Dior's mannequins carry neatly rolled umbrellas with fine crooks covered with tiny jet beads.

BELTS.—Jacques Griffe puts a bronze-beaded ornament, like a drawer-handle, right in the middle of a belt buckle; also uses pine cones, dangling from fabric bolts like tassels.

Bouquet

A pretty compliment for English women from colleague Robert Walling, back from a Paris holiday.

"No fashions in Paris streets to make a male what! London is full of prettier girls, more fashionably dressed."

—(London Express Service)

New Necklace Silhouettes

THERE are three specific necklace silhouettes and lengths that will be important this coming autumn season.

As to silhouette and length the necklace picture shapes up as follows:

1. Necklaces that hug the throat in either dog collar or choker fashion are newsworthy when displayed with decollete dresses.

2. The collar necklace that lies at the base of the neck with either all-around or front drape decoration looks important as neckline accessory to dresses with tiny jutting collars. In this same category are the short pendant necklaces.

3. The return of the bib necklace as a significant necklace fashion is being heralded in many media and has been fashioned into both tailored and dressy types.

EXPANSION DOG Collar Necklaces are fitted with an adjustable clasp which expands for precise fit.

FRONT DRAPE has delicate floral scrolls which start at the base of the neck, frame the throat in tiny sparkling rhinestones and deep sapphire buds.

WIRE OF PERIODOTS and pearls strung together by hand is a pretty and effective complement to either decollete or high necklines. Tiny pale green beads are scattered through the pearls.

Mrs. Pidgeon has only one hat...

MRS. WALTER PIDGEON, visiting London with film star husband, possesses only one hat, which she never wears. And she professes to buy only four new outfits a year.

We visited the Pidgeons in their hotel suite, and Golby has sketched Mrs Pidgeon wearing a three-piece ensemble designed for her in America.

The skirt of fine black wool is straight and gathered at the centre front, the white blouse has pleat (roll) pleating at the collar and wrists.

The deep red bolero, which is collarless, has rounded shoulders and Dolman sleeves which reach above the wrists.

The suit is good because—1. Each piece is interchangeable. 2. It is not a new style, but it will not date.

3. It is an all-duty suit which may be worn morning or evening.

Mrs. Pidgeon's shoes, with the new low heel and gilt bar were in black suede.

The suede is cut and crosses over at the front—a style which Walter Pidgeon is having copied for his own shoes. Golby has also sketched some ideas from Mrs Pidgeon's wardrobe which could be easily copied.

A CLARET VELVET APRON to be worn over a dinner or a cocktail dress.

The apron lies at the side with black satin ribbon and is heavily embroidered with jet beads.

A NET EYE VEIL is fastened to a half-circle of milliners' wire which is wound round with narrow black velvet ribbon—this passes for a hat.

—(London Express Service)

PRACTICAL HOMECRAFT



EMILY HAHN, popular American novelist, married to an Englishman, here gives her opinion on what she thinks of the Best Seller of the Moment.

Why are you single?

This current American best-seller is a book which claims to be "the first attempt to determine why men and women do not marry." In it, a group of medical and lay authorities on

marriage offer advice under chapter headings which include "Are you an Oedipus?" "I met the wrong man," "The geography of mating," "The marriage-shyness of the male."

the scientific spirit in which it is offered, she replies frankly, succinctly, and in such form that she can be included in the researcher's tables without alteration.

After all, why shouldn't she? She's used to it. She is bombarded daily with questions drawn up in similar form; she is expected, along with her married sister, cheerfully to fill in questionnaires every time she takes a walk or stays at home.

This phenomenon, the American researcher, usually works for manufacturers who believe in the infallibility of the poll. Her waylays people with questions such as: "Which of these soap-dos do you prefer? Which of these packages would attract you most? What colour of chocolate box arouses in you a buying frenzy?"

A WOMAN in Los Angeles has just been granted a divorce on the ground that her husband wouldn't allow her to sit on his lap to watch television. Another Los Angeles woman is suing for divorce because she breaks out into a rash when her husband comes near her.

Why Are You Single?

That is not just a personal question; it is the title of a new American book. Like that other American work, Sexual Behaviour in the Human Male, it contains a lot of startling information. To my mind the most startling thing about it is that the question Why Are You Single? need be asked at all, in the United States.

Is anyone single in America? An American myself, I should have said, certainly not. Most people there, I always thought, have been married quite a few times. But I am wrong.

WOMEN, TOO

I am very wrong indeed, according to this book. If anyone remains unmarried in the States, I used to think, it would be a few luckless men, but not at all; there are plenty of unmarried females as well. It is a grave situation.

Which brings us back to the question, why are they single? This is not a rhetorical question; it is asked—and answered—in good faith. We Americans are an efficient people. We take the "cold" viewpoint; we substitute cold, clean statistics for the fuzzy emotional reactions the rest of you might expect when you ask a question like that.

Just think of it: to prepare this book, thousands of researchers, as such investigators call themselves, went around to homes and offices and asked searching questions. Or if we put this into the language of the book, The American investigator went and questioned the American Woman and, perhaps not quite so carefully, the American Man as well.

He also interviewed the American Psychoanalyst.

TOO POOR?

Suppose you are an Unmarried Female. What would you do if somebody knocked on your door and greeted you when you answered the knock with personal questions? I quote in random:

Are you afraid of being tied down?
Do you feel you are too poor to marry?
Are you too self-centred?

You would probably shout for the police. But the American Female takes this overture in

Household Hints

To keep your bronze pieces in good condition, occasionally polish them with a mixture made from one pint water and one tablespoon of good furniture polish.

To remove mildew from rugs and furniture, wash with one cup denatured alcohol in one quart water. Put rugs and furniture in the sun to dry and air thoroughly.

When you're packing a travelling bag for a trip, start packing with the heaviest, non-breakable items on the bottom and opposite the handle, so that they will remain in that position when the bag is carried or standing.

... and now check up on yourself
Personal Points

The American best-seller concludes with a 25-question Quiz. Here it is:

Answer each question yes or no; if in doubt, select the answer that is true more than half the time.

1. Is your health good to excellent?
2. Do you have a pleasant voice, easy to listen to?
3. Are you under 30 if a man and under 27 if a girl?
4. Have you gone "steady" with two or more persons?
5. Do the parents of the people you date usually like you?
6. Are you sure you are a good listener?
7. Do your friends visit you frequently?
8. Is it easy to be friendly and affectionate with the people you like?
9. Do you get your share of invitations to mixed parties?
10. Are you often complimented on your appearance?
11. Do you take part in two sports like swimming, bowling or tennis?
12. Are you free from visible blemishes and physical defects?
13. Do you avoid arguments and heated remarks?
14. Do you frequently bring your dates to your home?
15. When greeting friends do you usually speak first?
16. Do you belong to several community organizations?
17. Is it easy for you to talk to strangers?
18. Do you prefer, conventional, rather than "different" people?
19. Are you both a good dancer and good mixer?
20. Do you frequently date along with other couples?
21. Is your figure well-proportioned in both height and weight?
22. Do you habitually say nice things to people you know?
23. Would you marry a person two or three years younger or older than you are?
24. Did you begin dating by age 16?
25. If you answered 20 or more of these questions "yes" your chances of getting married are excellent. Get busy if your "yes" score was less than half.

AT A GLANCE

Besides, the compilers of Are You Single? give you something back for your trouble—a lot of good, practical, scientifically tested advice. Proceeding on the assumption that everyone jolly well ought to be married, and, moreover, that everyone wants to be married—anyone who doesn't is abnormal and can be pointed out—we are given a number of charts and tables under the heading: "The Geography of Mating."

From these you can tell at a glance where your chances are best for finding an unmarried male, or female as the case may be.

If you are a white female between the ages of twenty-five and thirty, for instance, and you want a male (white) between thirty and thirty-five—on yes you do, and don't argue with us—you should go to the State of Nevada. Failing Nevada, go to Wyoming.

PINKS, GREENS

If you are abnormal and want to stay single, go to Rhode Island; the percentage there of males to females is regrettably low. I don't know why. The researcher didn't investigate that side of the Rhode Island situation. No doubt another book later on will deal with that.

Working girls in search of husbands are advised to concentrate on newly set up industries, where men are more numerous, according to statistics. The male-seeking male is equally well supplied with such useful information.

Yes, mine is an extraordinary country, but not quite as extraordinary as this tome seems to make out. Reading it, I am vouchsafed a new vision of the United States.

It is as if I were in a dream, or trance, looking down from some point way up in the sky. Seen from here, the United States is like an illustrated map of itself, one of those whimsical ones put out by travel bureaux, where farming neighbourhoods are indicated by haystacks and cows, and oil-bearing land by wells. On this map, however, there are neither haystacks nor oil-wells; there are only Males and Females.

The States are clearly indicated by broad black lines marking the boundaries. Within these divisions, Females less than 20 are wearing green; Females between 20 and 25 wear pink, and so on. The Males, too, are divided into colours according to their age-groups.

Most of these people seem to rush about like dancing mice, in a perfect frenzy of activity. What is that State down there? It is Iowa and Iowa is very busy. Males, dressed in brown and yellow, are running like mad in Iowa to get away from the Females in green or pink who grimly pursue them. The Males are usually caught when they collapse, panting, against the State Line.

ARE YOU A DUD?

Let us shift our attention to North Dakota. There things are quite opposite. There, brown and yellow-clad Males are running after green and pink Females. The Females utter little shrieks as they flee, but they are caught at last, like the Males of Iowa, and carried in triumph back to the middle of the State.

It is a lively, cheerful scene, I reflect. But, hall! Who are these creatures, both Male and Female, dressed in grey? Neither pursued nor pursuing, they sit where they are all day in an indeterminate age-group, being anti-social.

The book has a remedy for these pathetic figures. The book says in kindly helpful tones, "It is possible that you are a social dud and simply bored with your obviousness." It gives a few hints to the social dud:

Become a good conversationalist....
Go out of your way to do little favours....
Don't argue.

SO EASY

When you have done all this, Gentle Reader, and a little more which I don't quote for lack of space, it is plain sailing. Turn to the geographical tables in Chapter 2, go to the State indicated by the statistics, and get ready to run like hell.

It is only fair to add that the compilers of these illuminating pieces of research are not slipshod technicians. They think of everything, and I am glad to report, in proof of this statement, that they have not forgotten the last indispensable item—a chapter on Divorce Laws.

(London Express Service)

MISTAKEN IDEA ABOUT CALCIUM

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

FEW things have changed more in the past few years than our ideas as to how much of this or that food element is needed by the average person. This is due to the fact that modern research has enabled us to test the body's needs rather than guess at them.

Our changing ideas about what constitutes an adequate supply of calcium is a case in point. Little of this substance is needed for the body's vital processes. Since bones and teeth, which are largely made up of calcium salts, are fully formed in the adult, it was formerly supposed that grown-ups had little need for calcium-containing foods.

Three Reasons

Today, however, we realise our mistake. Adults need calcium in far greater amounts than those formerly considered ample. There are three reasons for this. First, there is a constant loss of calcium from the body. Though the amount lost varies greatly from person to person, it is always sufficiently great to cause calcium to be drained from the bones unless it is replaced via the dietary route.

Extra Calcium

Secondly, any extra calcium is stored in the bones. This acts as a reserve in cases of emergency, such as the repair of a

broken bone or the increased demand for calcium in women during the child-bearing time or for breast feeding. If the calcium is not present in these cases, it is pulled out of the bones and, in severe cases, there may be a softening of the bones called osteomalacia. On the other hand, the amount of calcium in the diet can be doubled without causing any difficulty, such as abnormal bone formation in the soft tissue.

The third reason for increased calcium-intake is the fact that all of the calcium in foods cannot be utilised. Some of it is excreted or lost. It would seem, in fact, that only about 1/3 to 1/2 of the calcium taken in can actually be used.

For A Child

It is generally agreed that a child should have about one gram of calcium a day supplied in the various foods, and that the adult should have about this same amount.

The best sources of calcium in the diet are milk and dairy products. Some is also supplied by vegetables, but the amount obtained from these sources does not approach that which is obtained from milk and dairy products. Hence, it is important for grown-up and child alike that these foods be included in the diet each day.



Let's Eat

BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

New Ways With Vegetables

"MADAME," said the Chef, "I have a proposition for all our good homemakers. This is the height of the vegetable season. Why not have an 'Eat More Vegetables' week?"

"That's a grand idea, Chef. When shall we start?"

"Toute suite, right now, today. I hope this everybody who reads this column makes a specialty of preparing vegetables in different ways for her family at every meal this week. And we will be glad to give her our best ideas also."

Vegetable—Eating Habit

"And I second the motion. When they find out how good vegetables really taste, many persons may even form the habit of liking them, and be encouraged to eat vegetables, as they should all through the year. In certain parts of New England and in many sections of the middle west, vegetables are served regularly even at breakfast."

"That is most unusual, but why not, Madame?"

"A big bowl of steaming hot string beans or fresh peas, succotash or stewed tomatoes taste wonderful at breakfast with hot biscuits, corn bread or toast."

"For luncheon we can use the vegetable platter salad for the very hot days, and light vegetable entrees for days when the weather is more cool. I mean foods such as vegetable omelets, vegetable loaves or baked or pressure-cooked stuffed vegetables. And for dinner we can suggest a greater variety of vegetables with the main course."

"If every person in the country would make a real effort to eat more vegetables, the family N. Q. would be greatly improved."

N. Q.?" questioned the Chef.

"Yes, that means the nutrition quotient. And incidentally it's the women who have the lowest N. Q. Men rate much higher. Teen-age boys, who follow Dad's lead, eat better balanced meals than their teenage sisters who show many of the faulty eating habits of their mothers."

Dry Vegetables

"First I would like to say a word about keeping vegetables fresh," remarked the Chef. "What are known as dry vegetables, such as potatoes, onions or garlic, should be stored in an open container so the air can circulate around them. A household vegetable bin is very good; or for an emergency use a pasteboard carton, but punch at least 20 holes in it with the ice pick or the screw driver to let in the air."

"As for perishable vegetables, I find that those that come long distances are often more fresh than the vegetables from the locality. Why? It is simply because they have been kept at the right temperature. Most vegetables need a warm temperature to ripen, anywhere up to 80-degrees. After that they

will quickly deteriorate unless they are kept in a cool refrigerator at about 45 degrees. As soon as perishable vegetables come from the market they should be washed and trimmed, well drained and placed in the crisper pan of the refrigerator. If this is not large enough, wrap them in waxed paper or aluminium foil and store on the shelves in the refrigerator. If they are completely covered with the wrapping, they will keep fresh and crisp for several days."

"When this is done, the vegetables not only taste fresh, but the vitamin content is protected and largely retained," I added. "By the way Chef, we have some left-over chicken we could use for dinner, but there's not much of it. So let's escalate it with eggplant, and to make the meal still more substantial we can have some tomato fritters."

Dinner

Cucumber and Radishes in Sour Cream
Dark Bread
Escalloped Eggplant with Left-over Chicken
Garden Peas Tomato Fritters
New Apple Pie
Hot or Iced Coffee or Tea
Milk (Children)
All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve Four

Escalloped Eggplant With Left-Over Chicken

Wash 1 large eggplant and slice very thin. Cut the slices in quarters and dust with flour mixed with salt and pepper. Chop enough left-over chicken to make from 1 to 1½ c. Add ½ tsp. grated onion juice, 4 drops of tabasco and 1 tbsp. minced parsley. Thoroughly rub a 3-pt. casserole with butter or margarine. Put a layer of eggplant on the bottom. Cover with a thin layer of chicken, and continue alternately until both are used. Pour in 3 c. heated milk. Cover the top with ½ c. fine dry white bread crumbs mixed with 1 tsp. butter or margarine. Cover and bake in a moderate oven, 375 F. about 40 min., or until the eggplant is tender. Uncover the last 15 min. to brown the top.

Tomato Fritters

Use firm tomatoes which are not quite ripe. Wash, and cut the stem ends; cut the tomatoes across in ½ slices. Dip in fritter batter and fry in 3" of deep fat, hot enough to brown a bit of bread in 40 counts. 375 F. Drain on crumpled paper towels.

Fritter Batter: Sift together 1 c. flour and 1/3 tsp. salt. Then with an egg beater gradually beat in 1/3 c. milk and 1/3 c. water. Separate 2 eggs; beat the yolks light with ½ tsp. salad oil and add to the first mixture. Then fold in the egg whites whipped stiff.

Trick of the Chef

For a special flavour, dust tomato fritters with fine grated Parmesan or sharp American cheese just before serving.

London Shopwindow

FOOT COMFORT. In the shops now ready for winter is a strong bootie in mustard suede with curved top and in-strap. It has a warm wool lining and crepe sole. Two cartoon models are in tan suede with crepe wedge and zip fastening, and black suede with twin gilt buckled straps. Prices range from 55s. to 65s.

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THE wedding of Mr Ramsay Michael Bucks and Miss Laura Fernanda Marques took place at St Margaret's Church, Happy Valley, last Sunday. The newlyweds and their attendants here pose for the camera at the entrance of the Church. (Ming Yuen)



MR. T. B. Wilson, who has retired as Manager of the Hongkong office of the American President Lines, was guest of honour at a dinner given by the staff of the company at the Kwong Chow Restaurant last Saturday. Mr Wilson is seen above speaking during the dinner, and at right trying on a gold watch presented to him by his former colleagues. (Francis Wu)



PICTURE taken on the occasion of the christening of Frances Mary, infant daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Hurley, at St Joseph's Church last Sunday. (Ming Yuen)



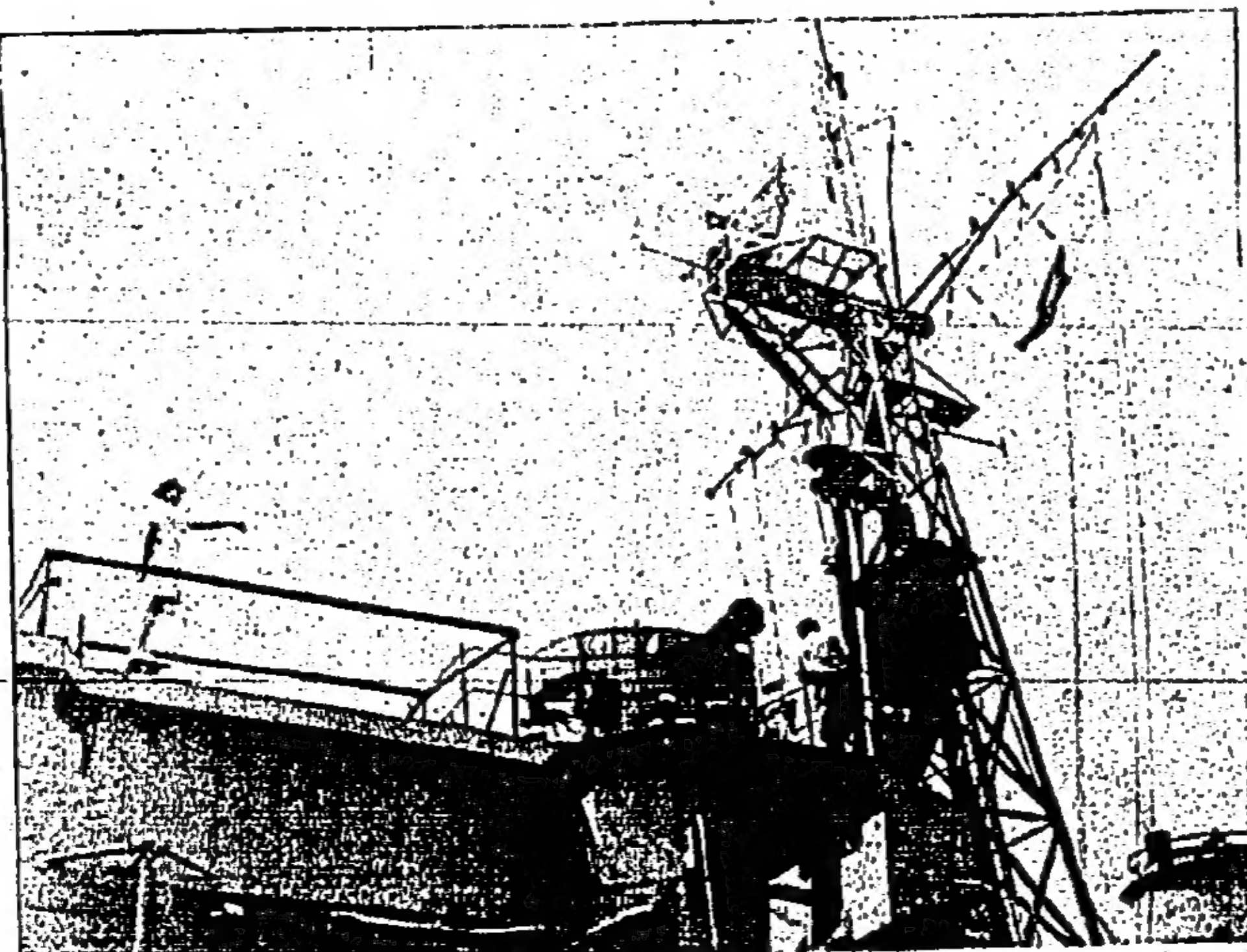
MR Sammy Chiu and Miss Kay Hsieh, who were married at the Registry recently. (Ming Yuen)



MR Leon T. Garcia, Philippines Vice-Consul, replies to speeches of welcome at a tea dance party given in his honour by the Philippine community at the Repulse Bay Hotel last Sunday. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



THE Hon. B. C. K. Hawkins, acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs, laying the foundation stone of the Po Loung Kuk's industrial and domestic science wing on Monday. (Golden Studio)



LT-CDR J. S. Kerans, DSO., giving orders on board HMS Amethyst before the gallant frigate sailed from Hongkong for the United Kingdom last week. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



MISS Marina Buorin and some of her young friends photographed at her seventh birthday party on Tuesday. (Roy Tsang)

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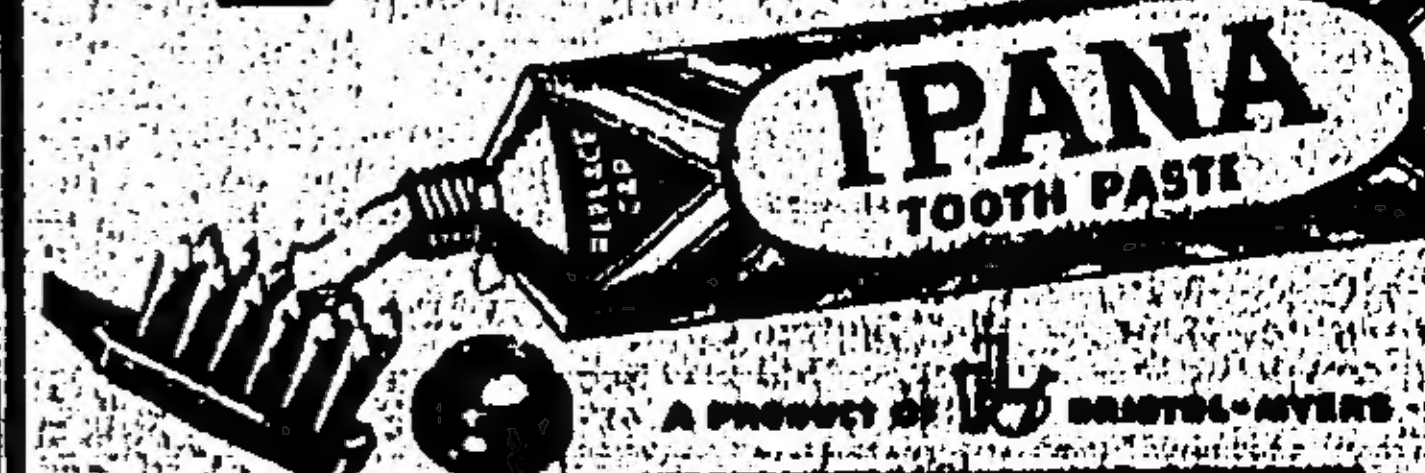
SOME of the prizewinners at the annual Chinese swimming championships held at the Chung Shing Benevolent Association pavilion recently. Lefts the Misses Wong Yuk-bing and Kwok Kam-ngor, who were first in several events. Right: the Chinese YMCA girls' relay team, who won the 200 metres relay event. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

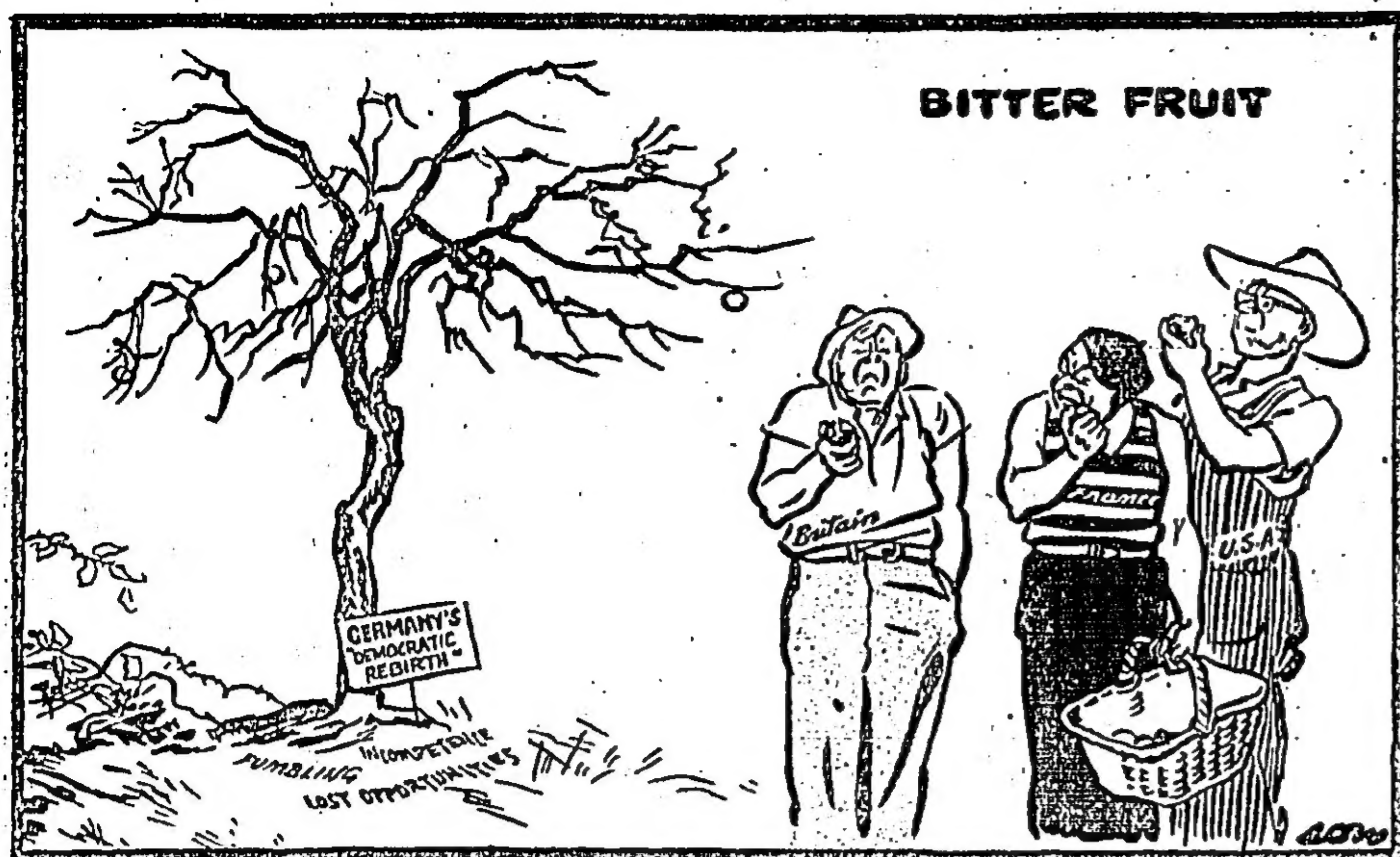


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"TROUBLE HITS CUDDLE CLUB" is the title of this piece, with which the Telegraph introduces one of the most widely read features in the world from the pen of Broadway's one and only...

Saturday At The Diamond Horseshoe

DID I ever tell you about Harry, the philosophical hackie?

Well, back in the roaring and rat-tat-tatting twenties Harry and his merry Oldsmobile were usually to be found on the taxi line in front of Lindy's original restaurant at Broadway and 50th, and many of his off-handieries—especially about women—became part of the lingo and lore of the period.

To give you a couple of quick frinstances: "Never give a wife a present without you got a reason," and "Money talks, but dames talk louder."

One August evening I picked up Harry at his usual stand and told him to drive me around Central Park, counter-clockwise. I was looking forward as much to the cooling effect of his reflective tidbits as to the park breezes, but for once the cabbie seemed fresh-out of words and the nape of his neck wore a moody look.

"T's hot," I finally observed.

"How hot you are," said the philosopher, "depends on how much hot water you're in. Me, I'm hot."

"How come?"

"I told a lie to my wife."

"Has she caught you?"

"Not yet," said the hackie, "but she will. Dames and district attorneys are psychic."

"What lie did you tell?"

"A week ago Thursday, when I got home four hours later than usual, I told Annie my cab broke down in Flushing and I had to wait for the repair truck."

"What was the square of it?"

"Well, it was like this," said the sidewalk Schopenhauer. "I'm parked in front of Lindy's when a couple of guys I used to go to school with—Al Cassell and Eddie Gurkenheimer—come up to the cab and tell me they want to throw a little coming-out party."

"Where were they coming out of?"

"Sing Sing," said Harry, "where they had just finished doing a stretch."

"Please, boys, I tell them. I can't turn off the meter so early and, besides, you know how it is with Annie. If I don't bring home a good night's pay."

"Good old Annie," says one of the goons. "Let no one say we don't take care of Annie. We're bookin' you solid to-night, Harry, old pal. And with that they jump in and tell me to drive down to the Cuddle Club in the village."

"When they got out, they pay me, give me a buck up, and ask me to come inside and join

them in a few drinks. Well, they're very tough boys, and I don't like to refuse, and so it goes the rest of the night—joint after joint—and by the time it's morning I got thirty of their dollars in my pocket and I'm plenty high."

"Presently the boys find they have run out of cash, but this, of course, is no a serious handicap to such characters, and they suggest I drive them back to the Cuddle Club. I get an idea of what's coming and beg them to take back their thirty bucks, but they say no, I'm a working man and need the money, and, besides, they think too much of Annie to play her a dirty trick like that."

"When we get to the club, Cassell goes in and Gurkenheimer stays outside to make sure I keep the mo-or runnins, and pretty soon Cassell comes running out with a bunch of bills in one hand and a pistol in the other, and I commence going around corners on two wheels like I see them do in the movies. Cassell says, 'It's too bad I had to conk the bartender, but he wasn't acting co-operative.'"

"This gets more serious," I said.

"There's more," said Harry. "Gurkenheimer suddenly remembers a girl named Mabel who lives on 39th Street and who can always dig up a bottle for a pal."

"Please, fellas, leave me out of this," I say to them. "I'm a married man and you know Annie."

"We know Annie," says Cassell, "and if you're gonna

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face up to her, you need another drink."

"This time they tip me two bucks and drag me up to the apartment. Mabel makes everybody welcome, and so does her room-mate Gladys, and so does their room-mate Marge, and to be sociable I have a few drinks with them."

"You start with a little lie," I said, "then it's a drinking bout, then it's a robbery and armed assault, and now..."

"There's more," said Harry. "When I finally get home, I tell Annie about the repair truck and hand her the night's take, and I mus, say she gives me no lip—dough and dame trouble, as you know, seldom go together. But when I wake up the following peeyem, it is all over the front pages how the bar-

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keep at the Cuddle Club was killed in a stick-up, and it looks like maybe my friend Cassell doesn't know his own strength."

"So now it's murder you're involved in," I said.

"They catch Al and Eddie," said the hackie, "which isn't too hard, seeing as how they've left a trail all over town, but I must say my old school buddies cover up for me pretty good. They tell the cops how they forced me with a gun to wait outside, and the story is believed, which is strange, seeing as how it is practically the truth."

"Well, then," I said, "what are you worried about?"

"I'm okay with the cops," said Harry, "but I'm scared of Annie. Next week the case will come up in court, and it's a cinch the papers will print every detail about what went on the night of the murder. Annie will believe the stuff about the old pals, and she will believe I was forced into the stickup. But when I testify I was—forced—to go—along—to Mabel's apartment—that, no dame would believe."

"Tell Annie," I said, "that an English writer named De Quincey once wrote that murder leads to theft, and theft to deceit."

"It won't work," said the Plato of the pavement. "Like most dames, Annie is a great one for readin'. But not books. Only minds."

—(London Express Service)

I was awakened by a fish

HOLIDAY SNAPSHOT from the man who had Fun Finding Out about Norway—BERNARD WICKSTEED

IT begins to look as if the weather might be breaking, but don't be depressed if you haven't had your holiday yet. It couldn't possibly be better than mine.

We went to the mountains of Norway, and of the 21 days we spent there it stopped raining for only three.

Our accommodation was a one-room hut about the size of a backyard garage and there were six of us in it—four adults and two incredible boys (one of them my own) who didn't stop giggling from breakfast to bedtime.

We all had to eat in the one room, sleep in it, think in it, dry our wet clothes and cook in it. The nearest farm was three quarters of an hour away, and to reach the only shop meant rowing across a lake in a home-made boat that leaked and then walking six miles each way.

And it rained and rained and rained.

You went up to your ankles in a bog the moment you stepped out of the door, the slush in our boots rotted, and when the soles fell we had to tie them on with fishing line.

Why none of us died of pneumonia I cannot imagine. At no time did we have on a complete set of dry clothing. If our shirts and pullovers were dry, then all our socks were wet. On the few nights that it didn't rain there was frost.

GOODNESS knows how far it was to the nearest doctor.

We never inquired. At home we'd all have been down with flu after the first day of it, but in some providential way there wasn't a sniff or a sneeze from one of us the whole of that dreary holiday. I suppose it was the mountain air.

Both my wife and the other girl in the party are house-proud women in the ordinary way. Everything has to be just right or they'll want to know why. But on this occasion nothing was right.

How could it be with six people spending three weeks in one room by the side of a lonely rain-swept lake 4,000 feet above the sea?

Yet the same providence that kept the germs away endowed these normally meticulous housewives with unexpected powers of oversight and a miraculous sense of humour.

The floor was permanently plastered with mud and so were the boys. The stove wouldn't light, the mirror got

smashed, and goats broke in and chewed our clothes. Yet all they did those girls, was laugh.

The matches got wet, the coffee ran out, and the children fell in the lake. And still it rained and rained.

ONE day a sheep, of all creatures, ate a 2lb. trout we were going to have for supper. Horribly it did. We caught it in the act.

The mountainside was covered with the green and juicy grass you'd expect in weather like that, but this wretched vegetarian had to choose the best fish of our holiday for its perverted experiments.

Yet somehow the thought of it only made us laugh more. Can you imagine the expression that a sheep would have when it looked up guiltily from such an unnatural meal and saw us leaning down on it through the rain?

Even time a depression threatened, one of us had simply to make a face like a sheep surprised in the act of eating a fish and the party was in an uproar again.

We even laughed when a mountain bull chased us to the top of a rock and kept us there. The bull appeared silly enough as it stood below trying to look triumphant, with the rain dripping off the end of his nose.

But we must have looked even sillier sitting on a wet rock shrieking with laughter and trying to drive him away by hitting him with one of those surplus Army oilskins designed to keep off mustard gas, not bulls.

Such levity from the vanquished was more than animal flesh could stand, and sadly shaking his head he went away to seek the saner company of his cows.

THEN there was the time I put a fish in my trouser pocket and then forgot all about it. We went to bed leaving our clothes, as usual, round the stove to dry, and lay awake half the night wondering where the smell of cooking came from.

By morning, when I found out as soon as I put my hand in my pocket, the trout in a trouser was done to a turn.

And so the three wet weeks went by in a way no holiday I've had has ever done before.

The last day we had to get up at 4 a.m. to catch our bus back to civilization and drought. As we rowed over the lake in our leaky boat the mist drifted across and clung to the mountainside.

The air was fresh and clean, and the surface of the water ringed by trout rising to an early hatch of fly.

The foxgloves and silver birches were hung with spiders' webs so moist that they glistened in the early dawn, and the snow on the distant peaks was pink.

At 2.30 in the afternoon of that same day, after four hours in the bus and three on the plane, we landed at Northolt.

That was early this week, when Britain was still a drought-stricken desert full of people who thought they had a good holiday because it hadn't rained.

THE contrast with the scene we'd left that morning couldn't have been greater had we touched down at Karachi or in Central Arabia.

Crowds of brown-faced natives swarmed round the passengers and their luggage. Blasts of unbreathable air blew off the sizzling tarmac.

At any moment we expected to see snake charmers and porters doing the Indian rope trick. If the Customs men had worn turbans and we'd been taken to Hampstead by elephant it wouldn't have caused us surprise.

As we fought for breath in the stifling air that night and tried to sleep beneath a roof that didn't leak, in beds that weren't damp, we'd have given a lot to be back in our hut and the rain.

Also, of course, we feel rather proud of our wet holiday. It makes us so different from everyone else.

—(London Express Service)

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WHEN MEN ARE CEASING TO WEAR

PYJAMAS

the Army issues them

EVERY man in the Army is to be issued with two pairs of pyjamas for the first time, the War Office announces.

It is odd that this news should come at a time when there is a tendency for men to stop wearing pyjamas.

In America pyjamas have lost their popularity.

Many men are sleeping in shorts, others in their underwear, and others with nothing on at all.

So great has been the drop in sales, in fact, that production in America has been geared down to 65 percent of what it was last year and 50 percent below 1947.

At the same time the sale of shorts for bedwear has risen 20 percent.

'IN THE BALANCE'

The National Association of Shirt and Pyjama Manufacturers in America is calling a meeting to face the problem. It has already warned its members that "the future of the pyjama industry hangs in the balance."

Main reason for the reduction in sales, according to Mr. Max

J. Lovell of the association, is that during the war young Servicemen got out of the habit of wearing pyjamas at night.

But Mr. Lovell admits there are other reasons. Some men who were not in the Forces say they are more comfortable without pyjamas.

Others say they cost too much, or are unattractive to wear. Yet a third group of sleepers who prefer shorts—or nothing—allege that pyjamas are too constricting and cause nightmares.

BIG CAMPAIGN

How does the American industry propose to restore man to what it considers should be his true nightly dignity? It plans a great advertising campaign.

It will plead for the pyjama, says Mr. Lovell, on four counts: HEALTH, by quoting medical authorities who recommend pyjamas; HYGIENE, by comparing the use of pyjamas with such practices as frequent baths and changes of linen; MODESTY, by stressing the use of proper garments among civilised people; and APPEARANCE, by talking about "what man looks like without pyjamas."

Manufacturers have an uphill crusade. One New York critic has scoffed: "Ever since the pyjama stepped into the male world on the tail, so to speak, of the old-fashioned nightshirt, there has been a never entirely eradicated instinct in homo sapiens that there is something wrong in dressing up to go to bed."

The worried Mr. Lovell told a newspaper correspondent in New York: "We are not going to take this lying down. The pyjama industry is hanging in the balance and we are determined to save it."

"We are making only 12 million suits this year, which works out at a quarter of a suit for every man in the country."

WANT SLOGANS

"Some of our members want slogans. We are looking for a good one now, something on the lines of 'Man's best friend is his pyjamas.'"

"We may run a competition and ask men to write a little essay beginning, 'I wear pyjamas because...'"

"It might, on the other hand, be easier to pitch into the women and persuade them that it is not really proper for their husbands to go to bed in shorts, or even with less on than that."

—(London Express Service)

SOFTBALL CHATTER

GENEROUS GESTURE FROM CLUB DE RECREIO

By "STARDUST"

The Hongkong Softball Association has had its acute problem of playing ground-shortage eased during the past week with the announcement that permission has been granted the Association to use the Recreio football ground on the same basis as in past seasons.

That is the Association will have the unrestricted use of the ground for league games on Saturday afternoons and for the full day on Sundays. Club de Recreio, who intended to use the ground for hockey, have earned the general appreciation of all softball followers in the Colony by their co-operation at a most opportune time when the Association faced a new season with but a dire prospect of obtaining suitably located playing fields.

If the Central British Association responds to the application of the Association for the use of the fence-enclosed CBA park, local softball will have the same playing localities as were available during the 1948-49 season.

The proximity of the Recreio football ground to the CBA park makes it very convenient for the Association in scheduling their heavy fixtures so that ball fans may be accorded the advantage of watching two games at the same time.

The reply of the Central British Association to the Softball Association's letter is keenly awaited by local softball followers.

MORE GROUNDS WANTED

Seeking playing fields in other directions, the Association will also approach the local playground authorities for permission to use suitably located playing fields situated both on the mainland and on the island. The Marine ground and the former Civil Service ground at Happy Valley would be favourable sites for softball followers on either side of the harbour.



Walker Cup Failure

We seem to have no real answer to American superiority on their own soil in Walker Cup golf. This much I gathered when the vanquished of the British team arrived in the Queen Mary—Commander J. Storer Carson, Royal and Ancient secretary, who is manager; Fred Robson, who was consultant, and Irishman Cecil Ewing, the only player who did not stay behind for the U.S. Amateur Championships eclipse. Their verdict was unanimous that the British team, which had been given the best chance of all teams, were beaten by better golfers. They put up fine scores in practice, but when it came to the showdown they failed.

A sad commentary when it is realized that the Americans did not beat just any team, but got a satisfactory explanation of why the captain, P. B. Lucas, did not play.

TWO REPORTS

His decision still puzzles golfers on both sides of the Atlantic. Perhaps his report to the R. and A. may give support to the suggestion in some quarters that captains should be non-playing. It should be stressed, however, that the executive work did not fall on Lucas. This was the responsibility of Carson, an efficient team manager. He, too, will be making a report to the R. and A. The two commentaries should make intriguing reading.

LOSS TO RUGGER

Angus Scott, Cambridge three-quarter, is giving up rugby this coming season to concentrate on athletics. F.F.J. Lyall, Rosslyn Park secretary, tells me that John Wilkinson, AAA and University sprinter, has retired from rugby for the very same reason. Wilkinson has been handicapped by injuries at various times. Neither he nor Scott is the first to discover that rugby is not the best aid to consistently fast running; just as some very speedy rugby-wings have found that they are slower over 100 yards than they would have thought—judging on their 40-yard dashes to the line.

(London Express Service)

The powers that be should by now realize that local softball is not a passing fancy and that the past time has taken root in the sports community.

It would be gratifying at this juncture when the Softball Association is building up for a new season for the Colony's playground authorities to come forward with a long-awaited gesture by taking consideration of the grounds shortage confronting a game that boasts in its following more than 300 players participating in organized leagues, besides a considerable number of teams playing in non-organized competitions and on sand lots, and a spectator following of well near a thousand fans.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES

With a few days remaining before the deadline for submission of entries for the coming season on Monday, September 19, 13 teams have so far registered with the Association. It is expected that the total number of entries will increase to last year's figure of 26 teams before the entry list closes on Monday. The entries received by the Association include the following teams:

Senior League: Canadians (defending champions), Saints, Madcaps, Hongkong Baseball Club, Jaguars, St. Teresa's, and Daredavils.

Ladies' League: White Fangs, and Canadians.

Junior League: Blackhaws, Jaguars, and Aces.

The following teams will most probably submit their entries before the deadline:

Senior League: Braves, El Club, Overcast, Pandas, and Chin Ho.

Ladies' League: Squaws, Pirates, Clovers, and a team of Shanghai Girls.

Junior League: St. Joseph's, Braves (defending champions), Rexes, and Vikings.

COSSIP FROM HERE AND THERE

Proxy "Doc" Molten's Baseballers are just riding for the curtain to rise on the coming pennant campaign. The Baseballers have been working out over the week and are shaping up nicely for the commencement of league activities. Doc has acquired the services of lanky slugger Al Smirke to replace Edo "Monkey" Almeida who has switched his affections to the Braves.

Smirke played for Fred Diesta's Filipinos last season and was utilised on the pitching slab in several games. His slugging ability should be felt in the Moltenmen's offensive.

The Baseballers have most of last year's team returning to the game. "Doc" Molten has bright hopes for his ball squad. At a recent meeting of the General Council of the Hongkong Softball Association, the question of holding weekly press conferences for the members of the local Softball Writers' Association was mooted. In view of the competition between several writers in trying to out-scoop each other in getting first hand information into print, it is hoped that the Association will take measures to ensure that official softball news is distributed to the local sports writers at weekly press conferences so that equal opportunities may be afforded to all.

With the softball season fast approaching, it would be opportune for the association to discuss this question at their next meeting convened for Tuesday.

The news that the Pandas Softball team, last season's cham-

The probable number of entries in the three leagues may be: 13 teams in the Senior League; 7 in the Ladies' League; and 7 in the Junior League.

With the task of revising the Association's Constitution completed, the General Council will hold a meeting on Tuesday at the offices of Dr. F. Molten, Shell House, at 6 p.m.

The drawing of the first round fixtures and the discussion of the bye-laws of the Association will be the main items on the agenda at this meeting. On Friday, September 30, the Association will hold its first Extraordinary General Meeting of the current season to discuss the adoption of the Constitution and Bye-Laws of the Association, as prepared and recommended by the General Council.

The venue for the Meeting has not been definitely fixed but is expected to be the Green Room of the Peninsula Hotel, if available.

GAME TODAY

A pre-season friendly tussle is slated for this afternoon when the White Fangs, who will be making their debut in the Ladies' League this season, tangle with a team of Overseas Chinese girls who have been practising regularly at the Kowloon Tong park.

The tilt will be played off on the Kowloon Tong ground commencing at 5 p.m. The White Fangs have several players affiliated to the HKFA. The Shield which is presented to the winners nowadays is somewhat changed from the original one, although the old Shield is enshrined in the centre of the new shield.

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SILVERSTONE TROPHY RACE



Spectators watch competitors whizz by at Silverstone, Northants, England in the Daily Express International Trophy race meeting.

LOCAL SOCCER SEASON STARTS

Seven-A-Side Tournney This Week-End

By "UNOMI"

Today is the unofficial start of the 1949-50 Football Season in Hongkong. The Stanley Shield Competition, an annual Seven-A-Side Charity Soccer Tournament, commences at 2.30 p.m. this afternoon at the Club Ground, Happy Valley.

This is how it originated:

During the occupation, two members of the HKFA together with a few more football enthusiasts of the Colony were interned in Stanley Camp. In order to relieve the monotony of camp life, these two, Mr J. Skinner and Mr N. B. Fraser, organised football competitions.

Annually, teams from the various camp quarters met, the first prize for the winners being a Shield which was made in the camp from any scraps of wood or metal available. The tools used in the making of the shield were of the crudest form, these being old razor blades, pieces of glass, etc.

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BEN HOGAN'S "POWER GOLF"

23-Uphill And Downhill Shots

When Bud Ward, two time winner of the National Amateur Championship, was asked how he liked Carnoustie, the site of the 1947 British Amateur Championship, he said, "Every time I hit a great tee shot I found that I was playing my second shot with one foot up and the other foot down."

Of course, the Spokane amateur was referring to the fact that the hilly terrain at Carnoustie made it necessary for him to play his second shots from either downhill or uphill lies. While Carnoustie is an exceptional course, this is the kind of a situation which will confront a novice more often than it will a finished player on the average course because the finished player can place his shots better than the novice.

A great deal has been written and said about ball placement on these kind of shots, whether or not your left foot is high and your right foot low, or vice versa. Naturally, on a downhill lie the ball is back more toward the right foot than it normally would be. On an uphill lie the ball is more toward the left foot.

The reason for this in each case is to have the ball in the place where the lowest part of the swing will be. You will get the idea of how to place the shots more quickly by thinking of the relation of the ball to the arc of the swing rather than of whether to play it off one foot or the other.

SIDEHILL LIE

When you have a sidehill lie and the ball is higher than your feet you play it farther away from the feet at address. As a consequence the arc of your swing is flattened by the position you have to take in relation to the ball. When you have a sidehill lie in which the ball is lower than the feet it must be played closer to the feet and the arc of the swing becomes more upright.

While the above is true it is not something you have to give a great deal of thought to as you play the shot. The change is automatic because of the lie of the ball and the way you have to swing in order to play the ball.

When you have your mind made up as to the position you want to play the ball from, the next thing for you to do is to make up your mind as to what club you want to use. Before you decide that, however, make sure you have an accurate idea of the distance to the green. If you can't see the flag and green from your ball walk up the fairway to where you can.

DOWNHILL LIE

In selecting the club to make downhill lie shots here are two things to keep in mind: When the ball is higher than your feet take one more club in range than you would if you were trying to make the same shot on the flat. When the ball is lower than your feet take one less club.

Reason: When the ball is higher than your feet you can't get as much power into the swing because your swing is shorter and you have to take about one more club in range to get the same distance. When the ball is lower than your feet the arc of your swing is lengthened and as a result you get more distance than you would making the same shot on the flat.

In selecting the club for left member that on a downhill lie you have to take a club with more loft in order to get the ball up into the air than you would making the same distance shot on the flat. You are already hitting down on the ball and need the additional loft to get the ball up into the air. For conversely the same reasons in selecting the loft of the club to play an uphill lie you need less loft than you would on the flat. You are already hitting up on the ball and don't require as much loft to get the ball into the air.

(To Be Continued Monday)

RINGSIDE George Holting

O'Sullivan's Title Chance This Month?

Danny O'Sullivan, London's hope for the British bantamweight title held by Stan Rowan, may get his championship chance within the next few weeks.

Do not be surprised if O'Sullivan's official eliminator against the Irish champion, Bunty Doran, becomes part of the Rinty-McNaghin-Terry Allen programme in Belfast on September 30. It is supposed to be a secret. Benny Huntman, O'Sullivan's manager, professes to know nothing about the Ulster arrangements. But the whisper in Belfast where local-born Doran is a big attraction, is that promoter Bob Gardiner has made an official four-figure purse offer for the fight.

Personally, I think he will get it—on the customary 60-40 percentages for winner and loser respectively. All that Huntman will vouchsafe is that, wherever the fight takes place, O'Sullivan will have a spare pair of boots in his corner. Danny has no mind to suffer again the agonies of his eliminator with Rowan in May of last year. On that occasion O'Sullivan's boots fell to pieces and for six rounds Danny had to box on the bare and blistered soles of his feet.

News of Algar Smith's professional appearance—at Harringay has been received with no enthusiasm whatsoever in India, where the Rangers Sports Club of Bombay had hoped to match last season's ABA champion with Gene Raymond, India's 27-year-old rugby-playing Olympic lightweight.

Dead set on showing their patrons a representative sample of Britain's post-war amateur scene, the Rangers now want Ron Latham, young Yorkshire miner who beat Smith last season. Barring the accidents that laid him low at championships time, Latham would have been favourite for the ABA title.

The Indians are sparing no expense. Latham is offered free air transport both ways for a contest on October 12, passport facilities, accommodation, entertainment, a silver belt (if he wins) and a high spot on local film and radio programmes.

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"We want to see during our month's tour how Nigerian football compares with the best English amateur standards," says Mr Donald Holley, the team manager. "We have in mind entering a team for the Olympic Games."

Apart from their football the Nigerians are regarding, as the highlight of their tour, the Sunday night meal of their own cooking in their favourite Nigerian oils, which they have brought with them.

(London Express Service)

He Disguised Himself As A Walter

ONE of the great adventures about whom Italian children learn is a delicate boy who grew strong fighting to set their country free—Giuseppe Mazzini.

Italy was ruled then by Austrians and their puppet Italian dukes. They defeated Mazzini and his rebels many times and sentenced him to death. But he disguised himself as a waiter, escaped to London in a ship and carried on his campaign.

Eventually the rebels won. Italy became an independent kingdom in 1861. Mazzini was disappointed. He had plotted for a republic.

To commemorate him (1805-72) his country has issued this stamp. Face value: 20 lire (about 2d.); perforations: 14 by 14.

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FROM HERE AND THERE:

No Welcome For The Stranger

CAPETOWN: The stranger who stood at the back of the room while the young couple were married at a magistrate's court recently, came forward after the ceremony and arrested the bridegroom on a housebreaking charge. "No honeymoon" meant the bridegroom as he went off with the detective.

Insects stop trains

ROME: Hordes of tiny insects have disrupted trains running into Milan from Como. These parasites, locally called "foria", have already rendered the Como area useless for next year's potato crop. They have now swarmed over long lengths of the railway line, piling up to three inches thick, and sending the driving wheels of locomotives wildly adding.

Once too often

CAPETOWN: A Durban policeman, Neuben Annandale, 34, showed guests at a party how cowboys gambled with death. He explained that if the cylinder of a revolver was well oiled and only one cartridge put in, the weight of the loaded chamber would pull the cylinder down when the trigger was pulled. He knelt down and performed the trick three times successfully. But the fourth time there was a bang, and Constable Annandale crumpled up, dead.

Keeping them amused

NEW YORK: Season-ticket holders who use Grand Central, one of New York's cathedral-like terminals, have been promised that within a month it will not be so boring waiting for a train. All over

the station they will broadcast music, baseball or football results, time signals, and news flashes.

Family tree

CAPETOWN: Two centenarians died recently leaving between them 330 descendants. One hundred-year-old Mrs. Elizabeth Auser of Kimberley left five children, 40 grandchildren, 150 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren. Mrs. Jurgen Kotze of Hopfield, Cape Province, aged 104, left six children, 36 grandchildren, 75 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Heaven-s (c) ent

WELLINGTON: Thirty lbs of bad smell from a Wellington beach may end up in disguise in Paris oodours. Walking with her three-year-old daughter, Mrs. Mavis Lawlor saw a faint substance. Two chemists scoffed at the idea of its being ammonia. But a laboratory identified it. The family collected more in a night search. The French Legation gave them three Paris addresses, and all Mrs. Lawlor wants now is an export licence. (Note: value of 30 lbs of ammonia is about £1,600).

Pleasing the braves

NEW YORK: In a belated attempt to make up for all the films in which the American redskin has been the villain, Hollywood is suddenly making no fewer than six films glorifying America's first inhabitants. But it is not all conscience. In its search for paying customers, Hollywood wants to please "everyone in the dollar market."

215,000 Americans buy a book about a MONK

by GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON

ELECTED SILENCE: the autobiography of Thomas Merton. Hollis and Carter. 15s., 381 pages.

A RELIGIOUS experience must, in the nature of things, contain an element that cannot be communicated.

The disturbing event in the life of Saul of Tarsus which overtook him on the road to Damascus—we do not doubt its reality; yet we do not quite understand it.

The same is to some degree true of the experience which befell Thomas Merton in the boarding-house on 114th Street, just behind the Columbia Library.

Merton has written this book about it, and 215,000 copies have been sold in the United States. It is a revelation, but it leaves much unrevealed. It begins in a Trappist monastery in Kentucky. There by stage we follow the journey. We see the trajectory; the impulsion remains beyond our knowledge.

But there it is, beyond a doubt, giving unity to the whole experience so that an apparently groping business proves, in the end, to be purposeful and unerring.

JUST before the decisive moment in his life, Merton, a youth of 23, had been reading William Blake and James Joyce; he had been meeting an enigmatic little Hindu mystic named Ramana Maharshi. A strange trio of guides to the Roman Church they guided Thomas Merton.

The path had, of course, been prepared. Merton, son of a New Zealand father and an American mother, spent a nomadic boyhood. He was unhappy, irascible, probably unlikable, "ill-adjusted" is the fashionable term. He "belonged" nowhere. And he had a bitter dislike for what he saw of modern civilization. Giving up Cambridge (where he behaved badly) and a projected career as a British diplomat, he became a Communist student in New York. He signed the pacifist declaration. It was a typical

development for a clever young man in the days of the Spanish Civil War.

But already theology is preying on his mind. And one day he runs into church, as if asked by sudden panic.

Church is, however, not enough for him. He will be a priest, a monk, the more austere the better!

His decision to become a Trappist (a silent order) is taken when he is 27. It is the very eve of Pearl Harbour; his anxiety is that the Draft Board, which had rejected him, may now claim him.

A carbon copy of a novel entitled *Journal of My Escape* from the Nazis accompanies him on his way to the monastery. And in the train—"I asked God to wake me up at Gallien, Ohio."

THESE is, indeed, an epicurean element in this book. In places, it is downright sanctimonious to the lay mind. Its literary quality varies. But there can be no mistaking the sincerity and the eloquence with which Merton conveys the spiritual tension and emotional weight of monastic worship.

The world is well lost! Is this, then, an "escape story"? The theory of monasticism is not simply that monks flee the sinful world, by creating a disposable surplus of merit, they may procure the salvation of the less deserving.

It is an idea strange to too Protestant mind, and stranger to the Protestant conscience. But nobody will find it strange that this impressive, uneven book has had an immense success in America.

THOMAS MERTON was born in a small town in the Puritans near the Spanish border in 1915. Trained with his father to be a teacher, he entered a Trappist monastery in Kentucky and is now studying for the priesthood.

THE LOUD RED PATRICK. By Ruth McKenney. Rupert Harlequin. 6s. 239 pages.

IT is a generation and more since the Flannigans left Ireland, but the war with the Saxons oppressor still goes on in Cleveland, Ohio, and Grandpa sobs as he sings the ballad, "Shoot me like an Irish soldier."

Grandpa is on the other side of the Great Divide and in moments of crisis will shout "God Save the King!" Just another, and noisier, life with Father? That would be an injustice. The book has wild fun and genuine invention, amid its uproar. And Grandpa, who is a Free-thinker as well as a Sinn Féiner, and scoffs at "superstition" in the intervals of denouncing Orangemen and black Republicans—Grandpa is a mountainous character.

RUTH MCKENNEY was born in Cleveland, Ohio. Married with three children she now lives in London. Her book *Many Slaves* (Kiln) was a best seller, was filmed and was a Broadway success as a play, running for two years. She is now working on a book about England in collaboration with her husband.

JAN'S JOURNAL. By Ronald Duncan. Campaign. 8s. 6d. 167 pages.

OUT of his Saturday articles in a well-known London newspaper Jan the Devon farmer has made a little book rich in the lore of the countryside and the idiosyncrasy of one exceptional countryman.

There are many ways to become a farmer, but few so roundabout as Jan's.

He bought an Arab horse, proposing to ride it to Constantinople. In the meantime, he needed hay, so Jan bought a field; it needed corn, so he bought a farm. Having a farm, he must learn to run it. Being a clever man, he made himself a successful farmer.

And having the writer's gift, he makes this vivid, good-natured book out of his adventures.

RONALD DUNCAN, poet, playwright and West Country farmer, author of *The Way to the Tomb*, *The Eagle Has Two Heads*. Aged 31, married, two children.

LIBRARY LISTEN. By Linda Ceyer. By Linda Ceyer. 10s. 6d. 284 pages.

REUSE of a long, strong, skilled novel built round the life of a famous poet, who began life as a child in Prague, slums.

TOM BROWN'S BODY. By Clive Stace. 10s. 6d. 284 pages.

MURDER in a public school finds Mrs. Brown on the spot. She is looking for a book of witchcraft. She solves the problem of ancient Irish Connaught's death.

ARRAS OF YOUTH. By Oliver G. Collins. 10s. 6d. 284 pages.

REUSE of a long, strong, skilled novel built round the life of a famous poet, who began life as a child in Prague, slums.

I SHALL NOT WANT. By Norman Collins. 7s. 6d. 447 pages.

REUSE of a long, strong, skilled novel built round the life of a famous poet, who began life as a child in Prague, slums.

I FORGOT TO TELL YOU THE JIPSEAS ARE COMING, TOO. THAT MAKES EIGHT FOR SUPPER.

WHEN THERE'S A HOLIDAY WEEK-END, ESPECIALLY LABOR DAY, BE SURE TO WANT TO STAY HOME, INVITE LOTS OF FOLKS TO MEALS AND SIT AROUND ALL DAY ON YOUR BIG FAT... CHAIR, AND NEVER LIFT A FINGER TO HELP HER.

LAY A SMOKE SCREEN OF YOUR FAVORITE 'OLD OAKUM' ALL OVER THE HOUSE.

COME DOWN TO BREAKFAST EVERY SUNDAY LOOKING LIKE SOMETHING TRESS OUT OF A BOWERY FLOP HOUSE.

SCARE THE DAYLIGHTS OUT OF HER EVERY TIME YOU'RE OUT IN THE CAR TOGETHER.

SHOOT ALL OVER THE HOUSE LOOKING FOR DIST.

PAST ARE WILL HE?

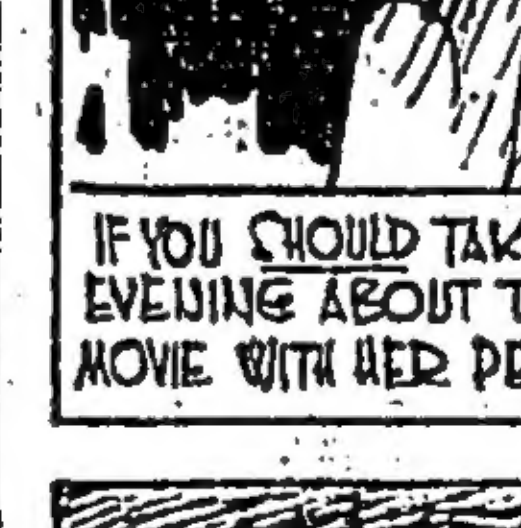
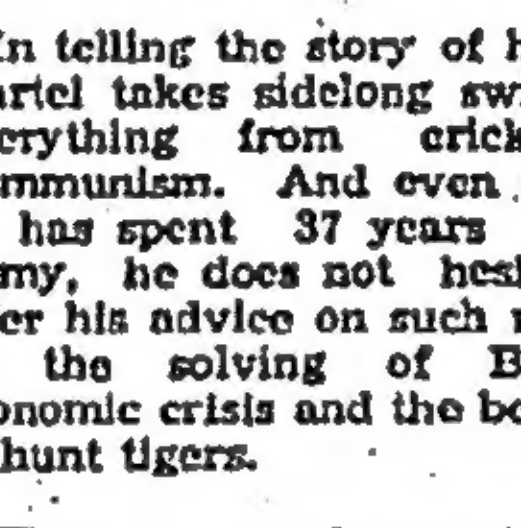
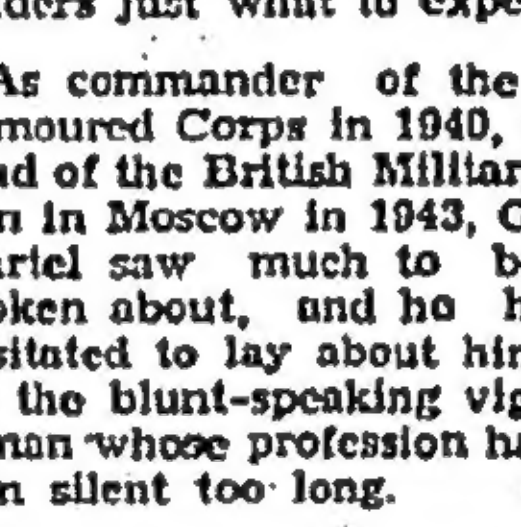
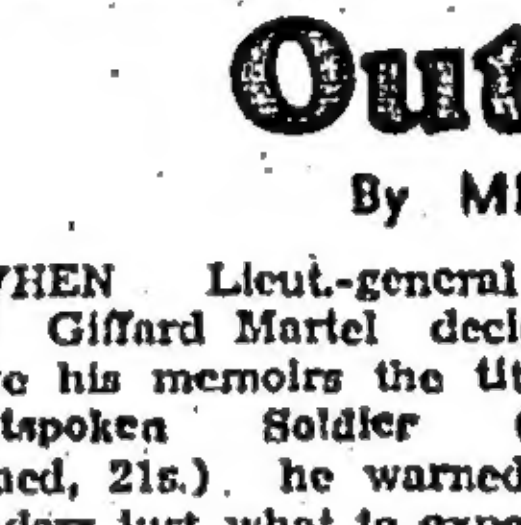
FOR GORGICAKES, DO YOU THINK TH' STUFF GROWS ON TREES...OR I GOT A TOST KNOX O' MY OWN?

GO DANK LIKE A LION WITH A TOOTH-ACHE EVERY TIME SHE ASKS FOR AN EXTRA DOLLAR OR TWO...FOR THOSE STEAKS YOU MUST HAVE.

BLOOD AND IRON

DAD and FLOUNDER

by Walter



You Know Where You Are With The Countess

THE EMPEROR'S DUCHESS. By Countess Waldeck. Peter Davis. 10s. 6d. 324 pages.

"AND so, what?" the Cardinal sneered. With these words, the practised reader knows exactly where Countess Waldeck has taken him. To the Age of Napoleon. Just look at the furniture. It seems to consist mainly of chaises longues. This is known as the Empire Style.

Laure, the countess's heroine, leans back in her chaise longue (p.56); throws herself on it (p.88); relaxes comfortably against its cushions (p.111); is flung upon it by her husband, who then attempts murder with a pair of gold scissors (p.223). Even this disagreeable incident does not cure Laure. She is back on that chaise longue by p.287.

LAURE is the Duchesse d'Abantes, wife of Junot, one of Napoleon's stupider generals. Junot loves her in a military sort of way. In other words he is unfaithful with Napoleonic regularity.

Laure cannot make up her mind whether she really loves Junot or not. The simple Christian virtues hold her to her duty. But she notices that some-

times these virtues seem frighteningly inconsequential. While she is trying to puzzle it all out she meets Metternich, the Austrian Ambassador.

Metternich shakes her till her teeth rattle. She observes the humid palpitating corners of his eyes. "She gave herself up to the sharp and painful sweetness which sent wave after compelling wave through her body. The perturbed stillness of the night was suddenly loud with the wild humming of her blood."

Laure decides (some pages later than the reader) that the simple Christian virtues are beyond her strength. "Take me to the grotto," she murmurs. He carries her— it is a weightless. The same ray of moonlight glides over her cheek and hair.

There is a lot to be said for the Old Diplomacy. Laure does not say it with the gold scissors.

IMPRESSED by his violence, Laure gives up Metternich and is not unfaithful to her husband for another 87 pages. Her new lover is a marquis of the ancient regime with beautiful legs. Still her friends think it is a comedown after Metternich.

As for Junot, he too suffers decline. Sent to Illyria as governor-general, "to restore morale," he appears at an official reception wearing all his decorations but no clothing. Puzzled by this behaviour, his friends decide he must be mad. It turns out they are right.

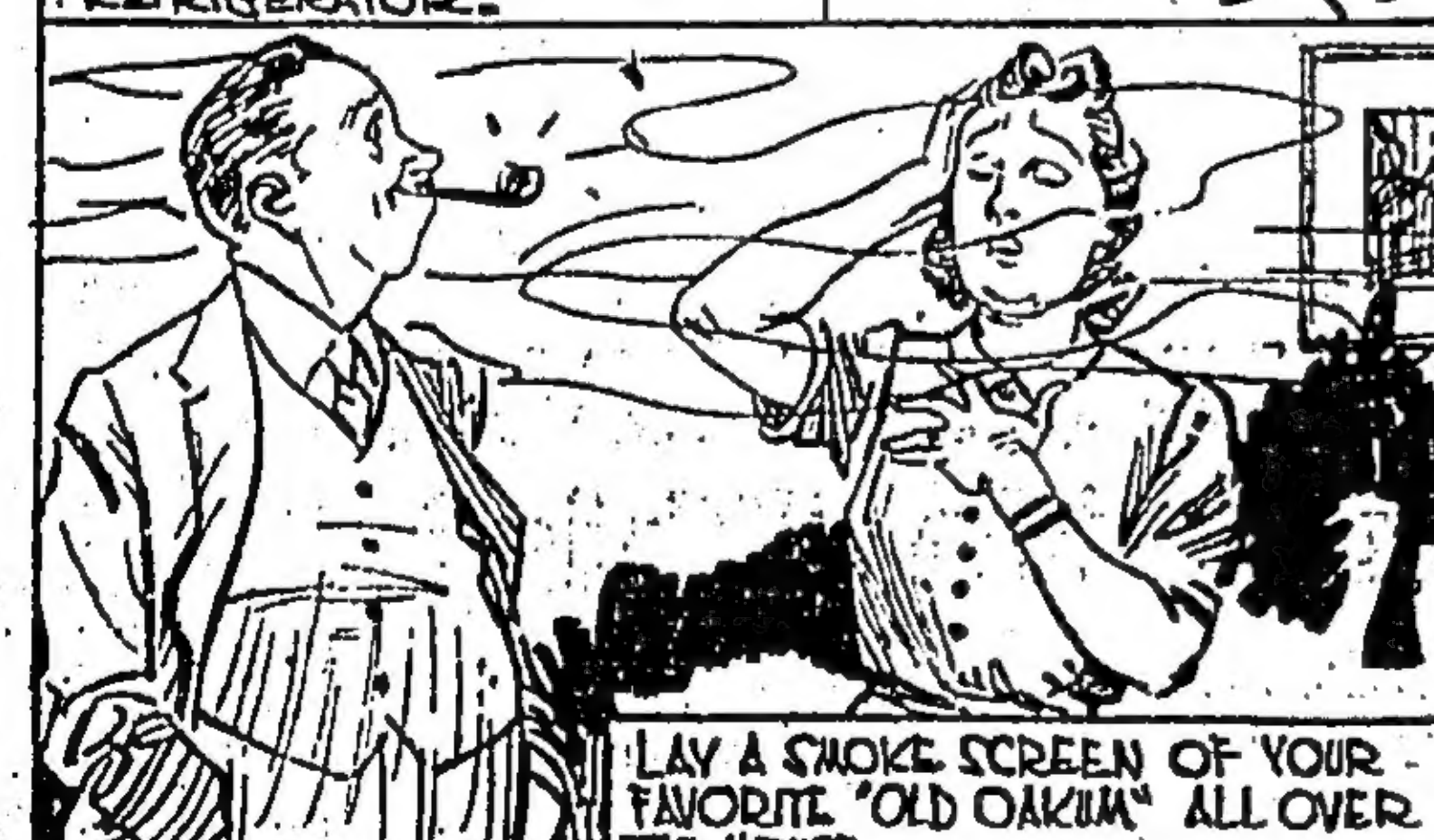
Our last glimpse of Laure is that of a "disturbing fairy of 64" who has written 2,000,000 words of memoirs.

In this novel motivation is casual; characters are drawn in (or, rather, roughed in) feebly. But here at any rate, are the titles, uniforms and fashions of the time. Also, some very high-class writing. Listen: "She rarely used perfume straight. She felt that the elusive fragrance as it sprang from the soigne totality of her elegance was more personal."

A Vogue's gallery of history. "COUNTRESS WALDECK grew up at Mannheim, took a Ph.D. at Heidelberg. At 23, went to Paris, dabbed in journalism and politics, he 1929 married a publisher. Press Ulsteria. Became United States citizen 1931.

VIGNETTES OF LIFE

"How To Discourage a Wife" BY KEMP STARRETT



SPORTS

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MENTAL GYMNASIUM

What Do You Know About Coins?

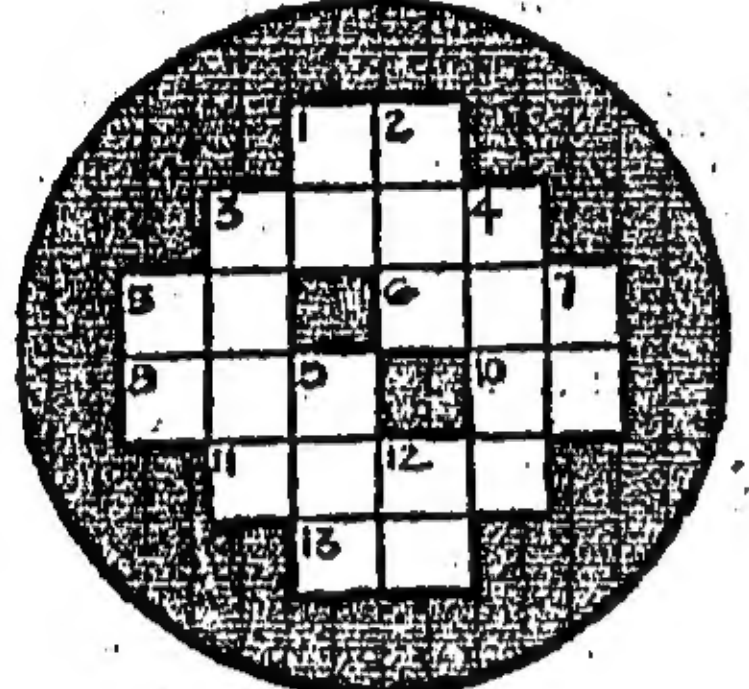
DIAMOND

The Greek DRACHMA forms the diamond's centre. The second word is "an age," the third "to rub out," the fifth "fire residue," and the sixth "a German river."

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CROSSWORD

The silhouette of a coin forms the base of this puzzle:



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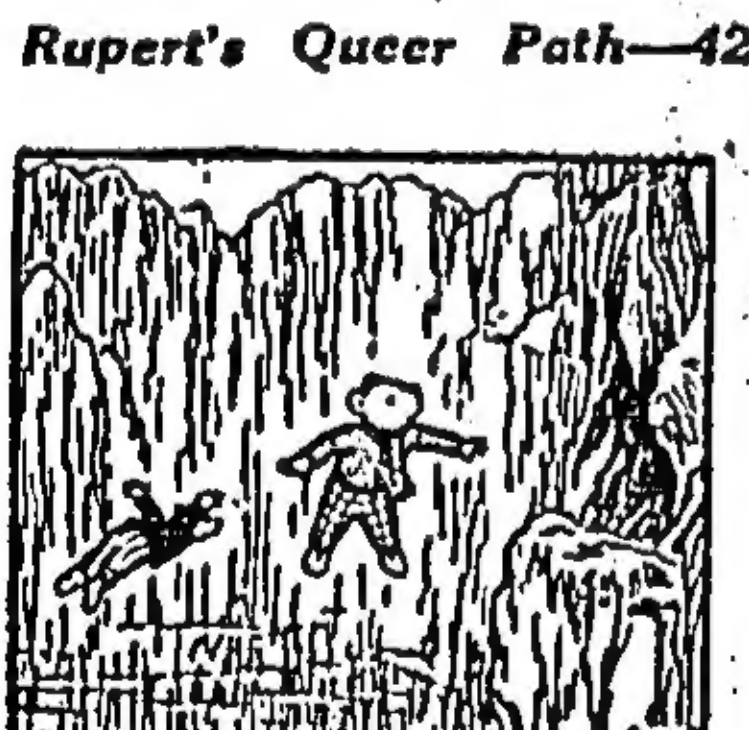
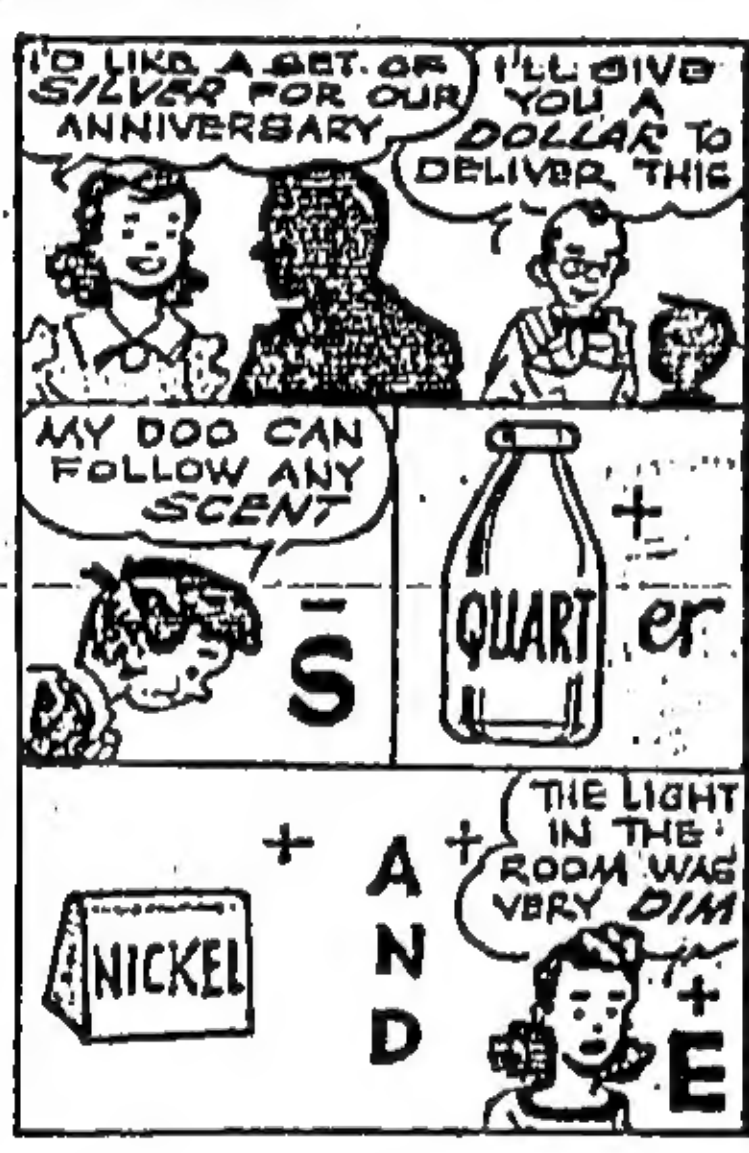
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- River barrier
- Thus
- Encounter
- New Hampshire (ab.)

DOWN

- Italian river
- Help
- Stuff
- Bird's home
- Allied force
- Negative reply
- Males
- Exclamation of inquiry

US COIN REBUS

Well-known United States coins are concealed here. Use the words and pictures to uncover them:



When they have had a rest the two take off again and fly upwards. "I say," gasps Bill, "do you think we have any chance of reaching Nutwood?" "Once we get out of Crazy Land we may not be able to fly any more," it's no good worrying," says Rupert, "we can only try." At length they get above the mist and Rupert gazes around him. "We're not doing any good," he gasps. "The cliffs are growing higher as we get near them. We are no nearer the top than we were when we started off!"

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JUMBLED SENTENCE

We've left out the vowels and pushed the words so they run together, but you can solve this by reversing the process:

MIX-UPS

Three English units of exchange are in these strange lines. Rearrange the letters in each line to find their names:

SING HILL

HANG RIFT

NU POD

RIDDLES

- How many of your relations live on rental property?
- Why is it like a small lady's foot?
- Why is a vain young lady like a confirmed drunkard?
- How do young ladies show their dislike to mustaches?
- When is a lady's dress like an unfortunate bull fighter?

ADD-A-LETTER

Add a letter to "a paid notice" and have "sorrowful"; another and have "grit"; another and have "to endure"; still another and have "to run around."

ANSWERS

DIAMOND: D
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SPARE MOMENTS PAGE

MCKENNEY
ON BRIDGEShrewd Play Beats
Poor Distribution

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♣2		♠82	
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	Dealer		
	Seldman		
	♠KJ983		
	♥3		
	♦74		
	♠AKQ84		
Tournament—E-W vul.			
South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
4♥	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening—4♥			

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BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

I LIKE to get my hands from actual play or from kibitzing. It takes a lot of kibitzing to get an unusual hand, but then I can present the situation as it came up at the end table.

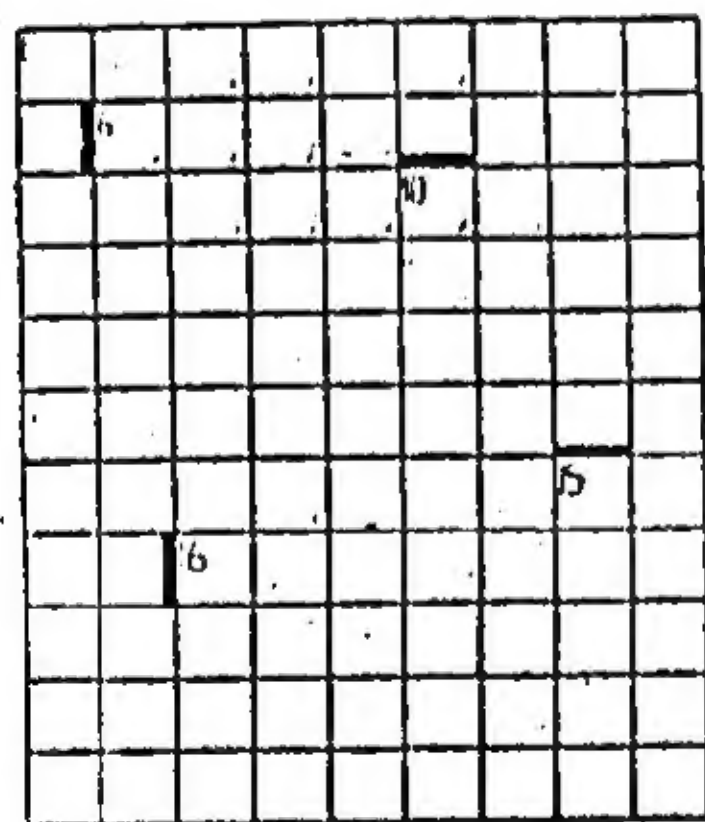
Today's hand is one I kibitzed at a table where Seldman of New York City was playing. Minor hands are written off by the players with "That was a bad break, all the trumps in one hand." But do not give up when you get such a bad break. Give yourself a chance, as Seldman did.

West won the first trick with the ace of hearts, and his partner having played the nine-spade, he continued with a small heart. Seldman ruffed this with the three of spades. Then he finessed dummy's ten of diamonds, which held. He led the ace of spades from dummy and West showed out. East now had more trumps than the declarer.

However, Seldman decided to give himself a chance. He cashed the ace, king and queen of clubs, discarding two hearts from dummy. He led his last diamond and finessed the jack. The ace of diamonds was played. East ruffed with the four of spades, declarer over-ruffed.

Seldman then led a club, trumped in dummy with the ten of spades, East discarding the king of hearts. Another diamond was led, East had to trump and declarer over-trumped. East, who had five trumps originally, found it impossible to make a trump trick.

SKELETON CROSSWORD



1. Swaps source of information to
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6. Prophecy
7. Competition
8. Recall as to prayer
9. CLUES DOWN
10. Liquid metal
11. Animals found in few estates
12. Canon's love may be utterly
13. It's part of the elephant's foot,
14. It's socks that of the Com-
15. Animals interested in sit-
16. Begin to appear
17. Possible product of its first
18. They may be carried
19. Happier ending at the seaside,
20. Cheeky
21. Unprofessional, but not nec-
22. What "is" may become in old

(Solution on this page)

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Oh, yes, Mr. Anderson suffers with his coat on, but he took it off the other day and the boss mistook him for one of the office boys!"

BY THE WAY
by Beachcomber

AN account of a search by American tourists for "the real old England" reports that one of them is "determined to keep an eye on the past."

York Minster was admitted to be "nifty," though not as high as the Empire State Building. In fact, our old Cathedral has got what it takes. What, for instance,

could be cuter than Worcester Cathedral, or more shabby than West? Westminster Abbey, of course, knocks them for a row of Japanese ash-cans, and St Paul's has them rolling in the alleys. Tintin is a swell dish and has class.

Chartres, by the way, was vividly described by an American tourist in France as a snappy bit of masonry.

Are we too musical?

THE question used to be asked, "Are we musical?" Today the question is, "Are we too musical?" Sir Thomas Beecham has pointed out that the country is swarming with orchestras. There are not enough really good players to them. In Wisbech, for instance, it was noticed that an obstetrician was fumbling with the wrong end of his instrument, and the cybalist in the South Fegstone Superpharmaceutical mangled a violinist's finger during a rowdy passage in Bartok's "Hidas-Nemeti Suite." At Market Harborough a bassoon player admitted that he could only manage the higher notes, as he was taken straight from the recruiting depot and pushed into the concert hall. This is not in the best interests of music.

Financial notes

THE discovery that the Bank for International Settlements at Basle has been working on a bilateral basis, while preparing the clearing houses for multilateralism in trade currency, has removed one obstacle to the stabilisation of tariffs. An energetic policy of licence-restriction would soon ease the dollar-balance, by releasing money for intra-European payments and by pegging down exchange rates. The whole problem is more economic than financial, and the trend is clearly towards a greater freedom of control. No international agency should be permitted to treat multilateralism as though it were bilateralism.

You were warned

Wickerwork hats are the choice of the best-dressed women in Paris.

A YEAR ago my campaign to make women wear wickerwork hats was received with laughter and derision. I confess to a disappointment that no firm has offered me a position, since it is obvious that I have a flair in these matters.

YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

BORN today, your high degree of versatility is sometimes a handicap to your success. You can do so many things passably well that you may be tempted to "slide along" easily through life without perfecting any one talent. This is a grave mistake, for with concentration you could become outstanding in some one field, rather than a dilettante in many.

Your perception is very keen and you grasp the significance of a situation almost instantly. You have innate business ability, but do not make the fullest of it at all times. It will, however, insure you against ever being "out of funds" for long, for you always can earn a bare living at something—and you will do it if you have to.

Being a good manager, you are more the executive type than the individual worker. You would find yourself fretting and fuming

at some ordinary routine job and hence must make sure that the profession you enter is one that holds your deep and lasting interest.

Your mind is a very active one and you have an intellectual curiosity which almost amounts to a mania. If something comes up in conversation that you do not know anything about, you are never satisfied until you have gained that particular bit of knowledge.

Your emotions are fairly near the surface, but you are likely to learn strict control of them and often are cool, haughty and aloof to all except your very closest friends. Your marriage, if your selection is correctly made, should be a very happy and enduring one.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

BORN today, you believe firmly in the control of mind over matter. This lesson, learned early in life will be of great aid and assistance, for it is likely that your early childhood and youth may not be an easy one. The stars have been lavish in the bestowal of talents. You must be equally lavish in the utilisation of your energy to develop them. You have the ability to reach the top if you avoid generalisations and specialise in some one thing to the exclusion of all else.

A born optimist, you seldom are depressed for long. Your moods may be somewhat changeable, but your powers of recuperation are excellent and a little hard exercise—mental or physical—can get you out of the "dumps." Remember this! Inactivity will depress you more than anything else. You must be active to be happy.

As a child you are inclined toward too much day dreaming and must learn to put

your ambitions into some practical form. You are very critical and while recognising the good there is in everyone and everything, you also can see almost undiscernible flaws. Unless you can be constructive in your criticism, keep that cynical remark to yourself! It is too easy for you to be sarcastic and hurt the feelings of those whose wit and resiliency is less than your own.

Sympathetic and kindly by nature, you too often refuse to show your true feelings. This reserve can be overcome. Learn to be a little more expansive and you will find life happier. Caution in marriage is necessary. But when you have made the right selection, you can be exceptionally happy.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Definitely a bad day for all your interests. Be alert to trouble. Meet it before it upsets the apple cart! Be astute.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Virgo good in business matters but when it comes to love and romance, be diplomatic.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Don't make a promise that you cannot hope to keep. Thrift is the best policy, so guard your budget.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Pay attention to familiar routine and take care of the smallest details meticulously.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Spiritual guidance can help solve your problems. Make plans for the future but postpone instant action.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Guard your savings. You must not over-expand your resources at this time. Thrift is important.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Guard against impulsive action which could bring disastrous results. Remain calm and detached in any crisis.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Control is today's word of advice. Don't speak out in anger; count ten! You can avoid a clash.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Be active and energetic now. Begin the new working week with progressive ideas and get them into production.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Still a poor day for the majority of your activities. Wait for a better time to act.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Avoid impulsive action and you can sidestep complications today. That will see you through—Be co-operative.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Influences are unsympathetic to matters at home. Affections are apt to be injured unless you are careful.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Minor advantages today can lead to added benefits in the future. Act on opportunities at once.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Push all activities to their utmost. You can get results if you work things right.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Personal matters are now excellent. Make business progress as well if you are astute in making decisions.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Impulse can wreck the best-made plans, so get your emotions under control and exert patience with everyone.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Mail advertising brings results. Don't hide your talents; publicise them. Sales should increase now.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Good for a business trip especially if connected with publishing. Activity may mean change, but it can be good!

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Not a good day for a new romance. Don't complicate business affairs by being emotional. Use self-control.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—New friends may bring excitement into your life. If looking for romance, you may find it today, also.

CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS

Solution of yesterday's puzzle. Across: 1, Herculean; 9, Idiot; 10, Into; 12, Begun; 13, Sty; 14, Nap; 15, Opine; 16, Real; 19, Sire; 21, Tsetse; 23, Aches; 26, Tot; 27, Three; 28, Eyot; 29, Esplanade.

Down: 1, Hibernate; 2, Eden; 3, Right; 4, Couple; 5, Utmost; 6, Lisp; 7, Entirely; 8, Novelette; 11, Tynce; 17, Echi; 18, Ash; 20, Isle; 22, Mood; 24, Eel; 25, Sea.

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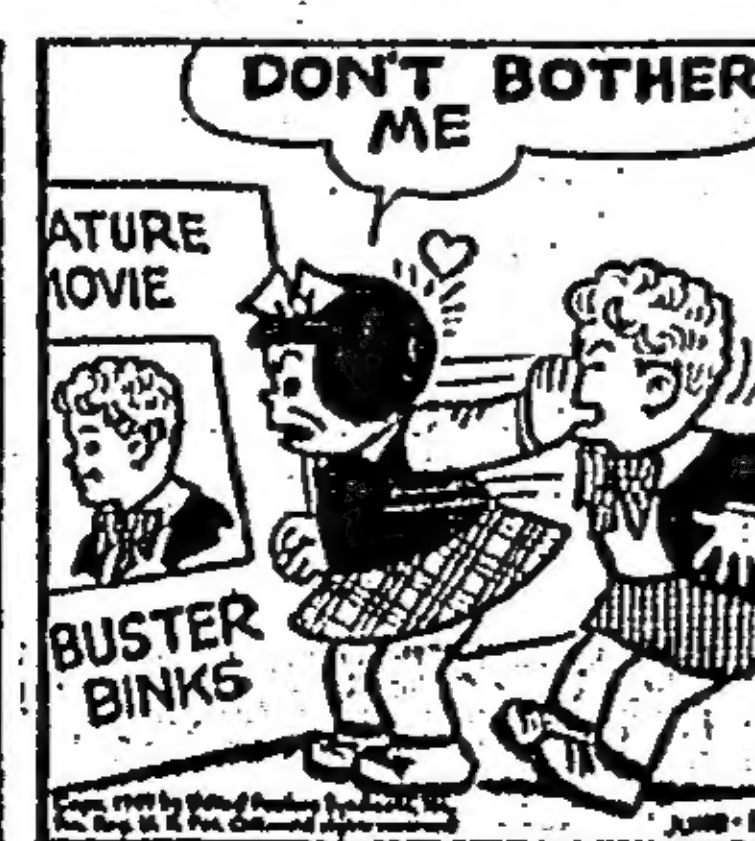
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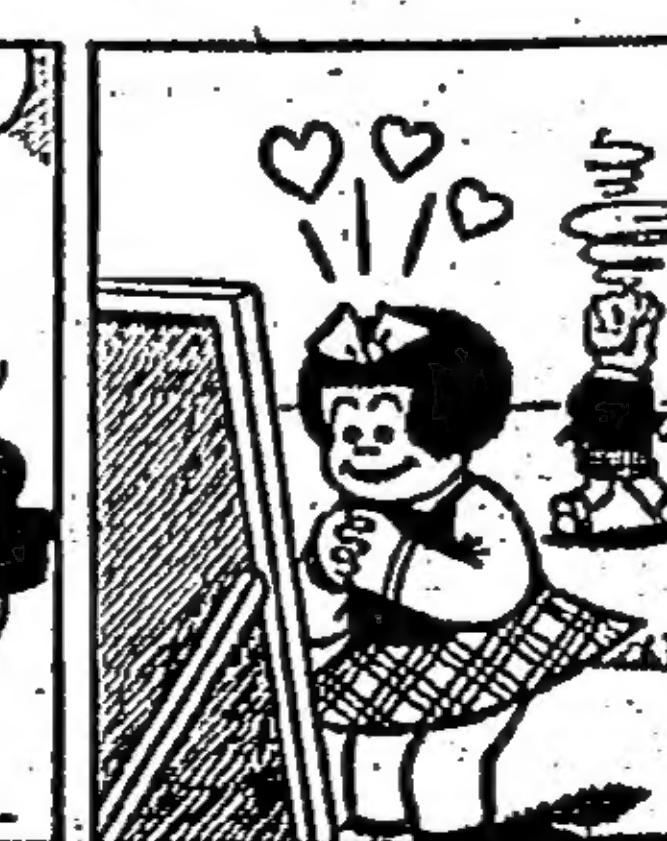
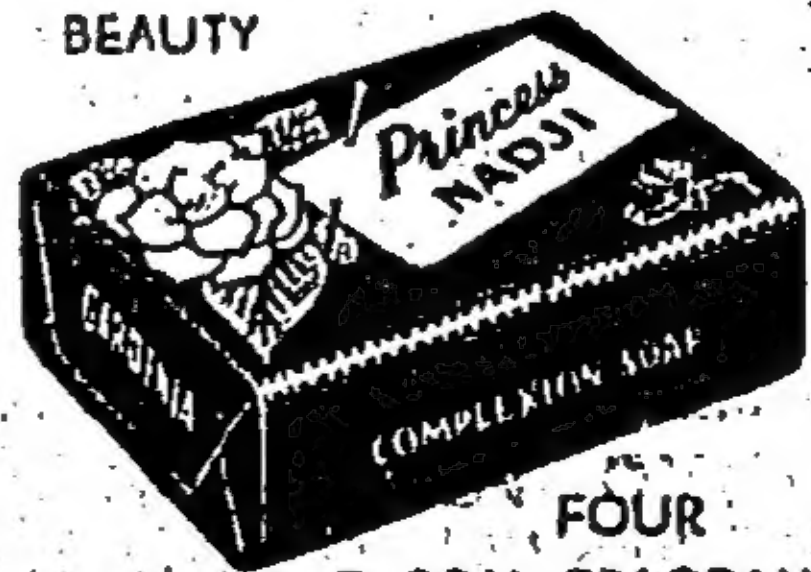


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